The Bombay Gazette.

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SHIPPING.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL COMPANY.

BOMBAY TO MARSEILLES.—Once a fortnight.
BOMBAY TO BRINDISI & LONDON.—Once a week.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL COMPANY.

NEW ACCELERATED THROUGH MAIL SERVICE *VIA* THE CANAL.

NO EGYPTIAN RAILWAY JOURNEY.

COMMENCING with the 27th January, and weekly thereafter, the Company's Mail Steamers will proceed to London through the Canal, calling alternately at Brindisi and Marseilles *en route*. On the Marseilles Week the mails will be transhipped at Port Said to another Steamer leaving for Brindisi, and Passengers referring that route can transfer to that Steamer also.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL COMPANY.

PROGRAMME OF DEPARTURES FOR EUROPE.

Vessels.	Tons.	H.P.	Captain	FRIDAY.
L. MALWA	2939	300	G. W. Atkinson	..30th Dec.
* SIAM	3011	500	H. Weigh ell	..6th Jan.
L. HAVENNA	3572	700	A. B. Daniell	..13th ,,
* ASSAM	3038	800	G. W. F. Browne	..20th ,,
B. L. MIRZAPORE	3557	533	R. Harrey	..27th ,,
† B. L. CATHAY	2983	540	M. de Horne	..3rd Feb.
B. L. SUTLEJ	4121	803	W. D. Worcester	..10th ,,
* SIAM	3049	99	H. Weighell	..17th ,,
B. L. PESHAWUR	3900	861	W. A. Wheler	..24th ,,
M. L. COROMANDEL	4495	830	L. Reeves	..2nd Mar.
B. L. RALLAARAT	4752	900	E. Ashdown	..9th ,,
M. L. THAMES	4101	850	W. A. Seaton	..16th ,,
R. N. BENGAL	4500	800	W. B. Andrews	..23rd ,,
M. L. PEKIN	3901	601	A. Symons	..30th ,,
L. CLYDE	4124	803	E. M. Edmond	..6th April.
,, L. ROSETTA	3325	700	G. W. Brady	..13th ,,
B. L. GANGES	4196	800	E. Stewart	..20th ,,
M. L. SUTLEJ	4124	800	W. D. Worcester	..27th ,,
B. L. PESHAWUR	3900	600	W. A. Wheler	..4th May

The steamers marked L. proceed to London *viâ* Malta, Gibraltar, and Plymouth. Those marked B L to Brindisi and thence to London, and those marked M L to Marseilles and London.

*Those vessels proceed to Suez only, passengers transhipping at that port for Marseilles, Brindisi, and London.

† By this vessels passengers for Marseilles tranship at Suez.

The direct Brindisi steamers will call at Malta, Plymouth, and London, and the direct Marseilles steamers at Gibraltar, Plymouth, and London.

Through Tickets are issued, including Railway Fare from Brindisi to London by the mail route, and names are registered for places in the sleeping Cars.

The Company also issue return tickets to Brindisi including railway fares to London and back *viâ* Taranto, Naples, Rome, and Genoa.

A steam-barge leaves the Apollo Bunder at 3 p.m. on the day of sailing, to convey passengers on board.

STEAM TO COLOMBO, STRAITS, CHINA JAPAN, AND AUSTRALIA.

Vessel.	Tons.	H.P.	Captain	On or about
BENGAL	4500	800	W. B. Andrews	..6th Jan.
CLYDE	4121	800	E. M. Edmond	..0th ,,
GANGES	4196	800	E. Stewart	..3rd Feb.

For further particulars apply to

H. W. ULOTH,
Superintendent, P. & O. S.N. Company.

Bombay, Dec. 17, 1887.

NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA SOCIETA RIUNITE FLORIO RUBATTINO.

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FARE to all Ports of Italy Rs. 300, Rs. 340.
,, to Marseilles ,, 320, ,, 350.

First and Second respectively, inclusive of Wine.

Passengers for Marseilles tranship at Genoa.

Passengers' heavy Baggage will be delivered in LONDON FREE OF CHARGE, to the extent allowed in the Handbooks.

Usual Discount to Return Tickets. Special Rates for Families.

The following or other 1st Class Steamers will LEAVE

Steamer.	Tons. H.P.	Bombay.	Genoa.
R. RUBATTINO	5,000 800	....10th Jan.	1st March
D. RUBATTINO	5,000 800	....1st Feb.	22nd March.
INDIA		....8th Feb.	10th April.

PASSENGERS WITH SHORT LEAVE can now obtain THROUGH RETURN TICKETS to LONDON and BACK, including Railway Journey *viâ* Genoa or Naples, AT SPECIALLY REDUCED RATES.

STEAM TO COLOMBO, SINGAPORE AND HONGKONG.

Steamer.	To sail
STURA	On the 7th Jan.
BORMIDA	,, 25th ,,

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Agent.

Sassoon House, Elphinstone Circle, Bombay, Dec. 2, 1887.

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INDIAN SERVICE, BETWEEN BOMBAY,

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THE following sailings have been arranged:—

BOMBAY TO MARSEILLES.

Vessels.	Commander.	Tons.	H.P.	To sail.
PERSIA	J. Hutchinson	3317	480	14th Jan., '88

BOMBAY TO LIVERPOOL, DIRECT.

ARABIA	J. Laird	3544	480	1st Mar.'88
VICTORIA	W. Russell	3357	480	17th ,,
ASIA	J. Craig	3380	480	31st ,,
BELGRAVIA	G. Boothby	3410	500	14th April
HISPANIA	J. Maor	3380	480	5th May
NUBIA	T. Knox	3551	480	19th ,,
ARABIA	J. Laird	3544	480	31st ,,
VICTORIA	W. Russell	3357	480	16th June

Passengers by s.s. Persia can book through to London (Overland from Marseilles). For particulars as to rates of passage money, &c., apply to

FINLAY, MUIR & Co.,
Agents.

Forbes Street, Bombay, 19th Dec., 1887.

CITY LINE OF STEAMERS.

THE favourite Passenger Steamer "CITY OF CANTERBURY," 3,212 tons, Captain A. H. GRAY, will sail for LIVERPOOL on or about 28th December. This Steamer carries a Surgeon and Stewardess. Two Berth Cabins, Baths, Punkahs, and every comfort for First-Class Passengers. No others carried. Crew entirely European.

SIR CHARLES FORBES & Co.,
Agents.

Bombay, 6th December 1887.

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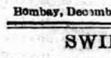
BOMBAY TO LIVERPOOL.

S. S. KIRBY HALL on or about 10th Jany. 1888.

BOMBAY TO MARSEILLES.

PASSENGERS can book through to LONDON overland
S. S. ASTON HALL on or about 20th Jany. 1888.
S. S. WORSLEY HALL on or about 10th Feby. 1888.



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S. S. "COMMILLA," 872 tons, on FRIDAY, 30th December, 1887, at noon, calling at Veraval, Maugrole, Porebunder, and Kutch Mandvie, in the foregoing or any order, weather permitting.

FOR KURRACHEE AND PERSIAN GULF.

S. S. "PURULIA," 1,552 tons, on MONDAY, 26th December (on arrival of Outward English Mails), calling at Kurrachee, Gwadur, Muscat, Jask, Bunder Abbas, Lingah, Bahrein, Bushire, Fao, and Busreh, in the foregoing or any order, weather permitting.

FOR COAST AND CALCUTTA.

S. S. "ETHIOPIA," 2,032 tons, on WEDNESDAY, 28th December, at 5 p.m., calling at such ports as may be arranged. Particulars can be ascertained on application to the undersigned.

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THE S. S. "ORIENTAL," 1,496 tons, on THURSDAY, the 29th December, at 5 p.m.

FOR LONDON *VIA* KURRACHEE.

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SPARKLING HOCK	33	36
STILL HOCKS.—		
1 Laubenheimer	14	17
2 Deidesheimer	16	19
3 Geisenheimer	17	20
4 Rudesheimer	25	28
Moselblumchen	16	,,
Grancher (Mosel)	15	,,
CLARETS.—		
1 St. Julien	10	...
2 Pauillac Medoc	10	...
3 St. Julien Medoc	12	...
4 St. Christoly	...	13
5 St. Estephe	14	...
6 St. Emilion	15	...
7 St. Estephe (Old)	18	...
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Pilsener, per case of 4 doz. Quarts, Rs.	22	
,, ,, ,, 8 doz. Pints ,,	31	

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mium, White Seal, Dry	,, 52 0	,, 58 0
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Geisenheimer	,, 17 0	,, ...
Niersteiner	,, 19 0	,, ...
Leiterrauemilch	,, 21 0	,, 24 0
Steinwein	,, ...	,, ...
Hochheimer Berg	,, 25 0	,, 28 0
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Good Old Red Port	Rs. 19 0	...
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From Messrs. H. & C. BALARESQUE, BORDEAUX.

Chateau de Prands	Rs. 13 0	Rs. 15 0
St. Julien Medoc	,, 14 0	...
Les Canons	,, 16 0	,, 18
Chateau Grand Leoran	,, 18 0	...
Chateau Leoville	,, 19 0	...
Chateau Le Roo St. Estephe	,, 21 0	...
Chateau Lafitte	,, 23 0	...
Chateau Mauvesin	,, 27 0	...

From MUNZER & FILS.

St. Estephe	Rs. 12 0	14
Haut Canon	,, 15 0	...
Margaux Medoc	,, 17 0	...
Chateau Larose	,, 28 0	...

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Listrac Medoc	Rs. 12 0	Rs. 14 0
Cru de Barreyre	,, 15 0	...

From J. ROSMER & SOHN, WIEN.

Hungarian Claret	Rs. 15 0	...
Chateau Roemer	,, 14 0	...

From FRANZ SCARAFF.

Carlowitz	Rs. 12 0	... 14 0

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St. Julien, Star Label	Rs. 12 0	Rs. 14 0
,, Red Bar	,, 12 0	,, 14 0
Chateau Larose	,, 20 0	,, 22 0

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F. Dessandier & Co.'s * Brandy	Rs. 21 0	
A. Doignon Fils & Co.	,, 24 0	
Cognac, Gold labels, Blue capsules	,, 29 0	
Vieux Cognac fine Champagne	,, 36 0	
Charles Lervoire very old Brandy**	,, 37 0	

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From A. DUPUILS, MACAU MEDOC.

Volnay	Rs. 21 0	
Chamberlin	,, 28 0	

WHISKY.

Thistle Blend Whisky **	Rs. 21 8	
,, *	,, 22 8	
Ben Cruachan's Blend *	,, 19 0	

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	Per doz. qts.	Per doz. pts
Bavarian Export Beer	Rs. 6 0	Rs. 3 8
Anton Dreher's Vienna Beer	,, 6 0	,, 4 0
Marburg's Pilsener Beer	,, 5 4	,, 3 4
Grimm's ,,	5 0	,, —

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Vino Grignolino	Rs. 14 0	...
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French Vermouth	Rs. 15 0	...
Italian do.	,, 16 0	...
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White Cabbage	,, ...	,, 0 12
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By Order of the Directors,
A. F. SIMPSON,
Manager.

Bombay, 20th December, 1887.

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1. TENDERS are invited for Works at Middle Ground Battery.
2. Full particulars can be obtained at the Office of the Executive Engineer, Bombay Defences, Mazagon.
3. Sealed tenders will be received on FRIDAY, 30th December, at 2 p.m.
4. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

E. C. SPILSBURY,
Captain, R.E.,
Executive Engineer, Bombay Defences.

Executive Engineer's Office, Mazagon, 20th December, 1887.

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1.—BUDGET ESTIMATES for the year 1888-89.

By order of the Chairman,

H. WYNFORD HARRAW,
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Bombay, Municipal Offices, 23rd Dec., 1887.

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Full particulars as to the form of license to be given, and the conditions to be observed by the licensees can be obtained on application to the Collector.

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ALFRED KING,
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Storekeeper's Office, Parel, 22nd December, 1887.

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NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the DRAWINGS for the SCHOLARSHIPS GRANTED under the Educational Fund Rules will be held at the Rooms of the Association on FRIDAY, the 30th December, 1887, at 5-30 p.m.

The attention of members is drawn to rule 19, which disqualifies a member from having a stipend who is three months in arrears with his subscription, at the end of December.

K. R. FREEBORN, President,
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III. Passengers proposing to start from Bombay between the 20th and 26th December 1887, are advised to register their names at the Traffic Manager's Office, Church Gate Street, Bombay.

L. DUNSMAIR,
General Traffic Manager.

Bombay, 5th December, 1887.

SOUTHERN MAHRATTA RAILWAY.

NOTICE.

THE Belgaum Miraj Section of the West Deccan Line will be OPEN for the BOOKING of all descriptions of Traffic, on and after THURSDAY, the 22nd December, 1887. The whole of the West Deccan Line from Poona to the Junction with the South Deccan Line will then be OPEN, and through communication afforded between Poona, Belgaum, Dharwar, Hubli, Gadag, Bellary, Guntakal, and intermediate Stations.

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		A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	A. M.	P. M.	
Poona	Dep.	5 15	3 30	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
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Miraj	Arr.	9 5	2 ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
	Dep.	..	2 11	11 ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Belgaum	Arr.	..	7 15	6 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	
	Dep.	..	7 25	..	..	5 30	..	..	..	..	
Londa	Arr.	..	9 15	..	..	11 50	..	..	..	..	
	Dep.	..	9 40	..	..	12 10	..	..

BOMBAY.

TO-DAY.

Cook's Afternoon Excursion in the Harbour, Apollo Bunder, 4 p.m.
Band, Bombay Yacht Club, 5-30 p.m.
Novelty Theatre, 9 p.m.
Chiarini's Circus, 2 p.m.

VESSELS ARRIVED.—The following vessels arrived yesterday :—Regius (s), from Middlesbro' ; Dracona (s), Glasgow ; Fateh Salemo (brig), Damaun ; Nerbudda (s), Calcutta ; Arabia (s), Basreh ; Shirwool (brig), Mudupet ; and Malwa (s), China.

VESSELS SAILED.—The following vessels sailed yesterday :—Nizam (s), for Trieste, London, &c. ; Pachumba (s), Coast and Karachi ; Preston (s), Calcutta ; and Putialla (s), Coast and Calcutta.

POSTAL NOTICE.—Mails for Zanzibar direct per extra s. s. Swordsman will be closed at the General Post Office, at 3 p.m., to day, the 24th instant.

SEAMEN'S REST.—Our annual Christmas free tea to sailors will be given in the Seamen's Rest, on Monday evening, at 7 o'clock. All our friends will meet with a hearty welcome.

CHILDREN'S SERVICE, ST. THOMAS' CATHEDRAL.—Children, who mean to attend the Children's Service in the Cathedral, at 4-45, p.m., on Christmas-Day, are requested to meet at the Girls' School, in Elphinstone Circle, not later than 4-30 p.m.

THE BACK BAY SWIMMING BATH.—*Apropos* of the correspondence which has appeared in our columns regarding a suggestion to admit ladies to the Back Bay Swimming Baths, it may be mentioned that the new baths at Calcutta will be available for the use of ladies on Wednesdays and Fridays.

DEATH FROM BURNS.—An inquest was held by the coroner yesterday, at Bhundari Lane, touching the death of Mahomed Esoub, aged 3 years, son of one Dawood, a dealer in grain. On Wednesday forenoon, while the boy was playing near a fire place, his clothes caught fire, and he was extensively burned about the body. He was seized with general spasms on Thursday, and died at 4 p.m. on that day. A verdict of accidental death by burns was recorded

MUSIC AT THE YACHT CLUB.—The band of the 4th Bombay Rifles will play at the Bombay Yacht Club to-day, at 5-30 p.m., the following programme :—

March	Minne Clide — Massey
Overture	Banditen Streiche — Suppe
Valse	Le Plaisir C'est Ma Vie — Fahrbach
Polacca	For B flat Clarionet — Thiere
Valse	Fairie Voices — Crwne
Reminiscences of England	Godfrey
Valse	See Saw — Crowe

A DRUNKEN ROW.—At about 10 o'clock on Thursday night, some six or seven Mahomedans had a drunken brawl in a toddy shop at Dhoby Gully, which led to one Kamal Ameer being assaulted. It appeared Kamal was thrown down and struck with a stick by one Hussain Shaik Ahmed. By accident a kerosine lamp was broken in the fight, and the oil, igniting, fell upon Kamal. His assailants, instead of putting out the flames, ran away, so that the unfortunate man was nearly burnt to death. One of the accused has been arrested, while the others, who are said to be known to the police, are being sought or.

SUICIDE.—An inquest was held by the coroner yesterday, at the Gowalia Tank Road, touching the death of Luximee, woman, aged 22 years. Deceased was one of the two wives of a barber, named Bapoo Rama, who lived with them at Chinchpoogly. On Tuesday last deceased and the other wife had a quarrel, when the husband slapped them both. On the same day deceased left the house and went to that of her uncle, subsequently the husband went to her uncle's, and was bringing her back to his own house. While passing by the Gowalia Tank she rushed and threw herself into it. Her body was recovered by a diver, when life was extinct. A verdict of suicidal death by drowning was recorded.

A DISHONEST CARPENTER.—Raghoba Bhickajee, a carpenter, living at Girgaum Road, was yesterday charged, before Mr. Dossabhoy Framjee, upon six separate charges of criminal breach of trust in respect of sundry copper and brass utensils, &c., of the collective value of Rs. 20-12, the property of Atmaram Pandoorang and five others, living at Girgaum. The accused obtained the articles from the complainants who were his neighbours and friends upon some pretence or other with a promise to return them in a day or two, but failed to do so. Upon enquiry it was discovered that he had pledged the articles with certain Marwarrees and obtained an advance of money upon them. The Magistrate convicted the accused upon two of the charges, and sentenced him to pay a fine of Rs. 25, or in default to undergo one month's rigorous imprisonment in each case.

SUBORNED EVIDENCE.

MR. RYAN yesterday concluded the hearing of the case in which Pestonjee Dossabhoy, a country-liquor shopkeeper, was charged by Mr. A. Walker, an Abkari Inspector, with transporting liquor without a permit from the Commissioner of Customs. Mr. Little, the Public Prosecutor, appeared in support of the charge, and the accused was defended by Mr. Mehta. Several witnesses were examined for the prosecution to prove an alibi. Mr. Little, however, called several more witnesses who positively swore to the accused having attended at the Victoria Terminus and taken away two cases which had come by the noon train from Nagpore. In defence evidence was called to show that at noon the accused was in Ooran. Five witnesses were called, who all swore to seeing the accused at Ooran. Some had spoken to him and others had come over with him. In deciding between the conflict of evidence Mr. Ryan remarked that he convicted the accused, who had used his time to suborn evidence. He fined him Rs. 100.

Mr. Little drew the attention of the Court that the liquor duty which the accused had tried to escape amounted to Rs. 129. The section under which the charge had been framed provided imprisonment and a fine of Rs. 1,000.

MR. P. M. MEHTA : The sentence has been passed.

His Worship : But it is not recorded. I was under the impression the section was 35 where the maximum fine is Rs. 100, but under section 33 it is Rs. 1,000. I fine accused Rs. 500. Tell him if this had been his second offence I would have sent him to jail.

Mr. Mehta asked for copies of the notes of evidence which he wanted for appealing in the case. These were granted.

THE SCENE IN COURT.

SUPERINTENDENT MACDERMOTT yesterday placed Cornelius Lynch, a seaman of the Lowther Castle, before Mr. Crawley-Boevey, charged with the assault he had committed the day before, in Court, on Captain A. Scarborough, whom he struck with an ink-pot he picked off the table. His Worship had of course witnessed the assault, but Captain Scarborough detailed briefly the circumstances of the case. He added that before the assault he had not found fault with Lynch.

Superintendent MacDermott and constable Saundereon, who were in Court at the time, also gave evidence. In defence Lynch said that he was sorry for what he had done. It was caused through drink which he had obtained after he had been liberated from jail.

The Magistrate remarked that whether Lynch was under the influence of liquor or not, it did not make much difference in this case. He was responsible for his acts, and if he became voluntarily intoxicated and committed a serious offence, he was quite as much responsible as if he had not been drunk. In the eyes of the law his offence was a very serious one, and his Worship thought Lynch was very lucky that the injuries he had caused were not more serious than they really were. He then passed sentence of six months' hard labour in the House of Correction. His Worship expressed to Captain Scarborough the regret he felt for what had happened and the injuries he had received under such unusual circumstances in the Court. If it had been brought to his notice that Lynch had already offered him violence downstairs he would have desired the police to take especial precautions to prevent anything of the kind happening. It was fortunate that incidents like this were rare, and he regretted extremely that it had occurred. Captain Scarborough thanked the Magistrate for such an expression from the Court, and then left.

THE SEAMEN OF THE BRITISH SHIP LOWTHER CASTLE.

THE disaffection of the seamen on board the British ship Lowther Castle, which has resulted in some of the men being charged before the Chief Presidency Magistrate with disobeying lawful commands, appears to be due, so far as we have been able to ascertain, to the dislike the men have taken to the chief mate. The seeds of disaffection were sown shortly after the vessel left Cardiff. On the day of departure the crew, or rather most of them, came aboard drunk. Some days after Cardiff had been left behind, an attempt was made to throw the mate overboard. Several of the seamen, it appears, held him over the ship's side, and did all they could to loosen his hold. The other officers, however, came to his assistance as soon as they became aware of his precarious position, and saved him from the fury of the men. It appears that the mate was henceforward not of a very forbearing nature in dealing with the seamen, and in several cases was somewhat harsh towards those whom he found not up to their duty. The whole voyage this same hostile feeling between the men and their superior continued, though no further violence was attempted. When the Lowther Castle anchored in Bombay, the crew were anxious to leave the ship. As the master, Captain Scarborough, who was always able to deal with the men, and was rather liked by them, was unable to discharge them, they refused to work. They were then charged before the magistrate, who sentenced them to a week's hard labour each. When before Mr. Crawley-Boevey the men one and all complained of having been assaulted, but as they gave very vague replies as to when and how it naturally appeared that they were merely making charges which they could not substantiate, but which, on their release, they again refused to "turn to," and had again to be charged. What occurred at the hearing of the charge appears to have been due simply to the men giving vent to their feelings at finding they had no option but to do what they disliked doing, viz., work. They have no grievance against the captain beyond that engendered by the fact that they think he can discharge them and allow them to get another ship, and he will not. It is to be hoped, however, that the two weeks and Christmas in jail will bring the malcontents to understand that continued disobedience will not pay, and that their best course is to submit to what is, apparently, inevitable.

DIVINE SERVICES.

CHRISTMAS SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25.

ST. THOMAS' CATHEDRAL.

CHRISTMAS EVE.

6 p.m.—Evensong and Carols.—Hymn 60.
Carols.—A Virgin most pure.
The first Nowell.
Good Christian men rejoice.
Cradle song of the Blessed Virgin.
When Christ was born by Mary free.

CHRISTMAS DAY.

7 a.m.—First Celebration.
8 a.m.—Second Celebration.
10-30 a.m.—Choral, Matins and Celebration with Sermon by the Rev. A. Goldwyer Lewis.—Hymns (Processional 60), 59 and 324 (Recessional Nunc Dimittis).
4-45 p.m.—Children's Service with address by the Bishop.
6 p.m.—Choral Evensong and Sermon by the Right Rev. the Bishop of Bombay.—Hymns (Processional 60), 19, 436 and (Recessional 62).

Monday, December 26, St. Stephen's Day.

6-45 a.m.—Matins.
7-15 a.m.—Holy Communion.
4-45 p.m.—Evensong.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, MALABAR HILL.

7-30 a.m.—Holy Communion.

INDO-BRITISH INSTITUTION (ESPLANADE).
FOR HOLY TRINITY CHURCH.

7-30 a.m.—Holy Communion.
11 a.m.—Morning Prayer, Holy Communion and Sermon.—Hymns 59, 60, 62 and 58.
6 p.m.—Evening Prayer, Sermon and Carols.—Hymn 60.
Carols.—Carol, carol Christians,
In the field with their flocks abiding.
Peaceful night.
The offertory will be given to the Indo-British Institution.

MISSION CHURCH, GIRGAUM.

11 a.m.—Morning Prayer, Sermon and Holy Communion.—Hymns 76, 77, 78 and 367.
4-30 p.m.—Children's Service.
6 p.m.—Evening Prayer and Sermon.—Hymns 79, 84 and 73.

WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH.

Colaba, Causeway.

11 a.m.—Rev. G. W. Clutterbuck.
4-30 p.m.—Sunday School.
6 p.m.—Rev. G. W. Clutterbuck.

Byculla, next to Victoria Gardens.

11 a.m.—Mr. Francis Patell.
4-30 p.m.—Sunday School.
6 p.m.—Mr. W. S. Shaw.

Parel, Elphinstone Road.

9 a.m.—Mr. John Staples.
4-30 p.m.—Sunday School.
6 p.m.—Mr. Francis Patell.
Cordial invitation to all.

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Grant Road.

8 a.m.—Children' Christmas Service.
6 p.m.—Christmas Sermon by Rev. J. S. Stone.
All seats free. Everybody welcome.

Byculla.

11 a.m.—Rev. J. S. Stone will preach.
6 p.m.—Rev. B. Mitchell will preach.
Evening subject "Invitations."

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, MAZAGON.

6-15 a.m.—Holy Communion.
7-30 a.m.—Holy Communion (Choral and Sermon).
5-15 p.m.—Children's Service (Choral and Sermon).
6 p.m.—Evensong and Children's Service.
Alms for the Eurasian and European Relief Fund and for the poor.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, PAREL.

8 a.m.—Matins, Sermon and Holy Communion.
Anthem.—" Glory to God in the Highest."
6 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon.
Anthem.—" Arise, shine for thy light is come."

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, COLABA.

CHRISTMAS EVE.

6 p.m.—Choral Evensong with Christmas Carols.

CHRISTMAS EVE.

8 a.m.—Holy Communion.
11 a.m.—Parade Service, Choral Matins and Sermon.—Athanasian Creed, Helmore.
Processional Hymn 59.—Hymns 62, 60 and 58.
12-15.—Second Celebration of the Holy Communion.
5 p.m.—Children's Service.
6 p.m.—Choral Evensong and Sermon.—Processional Hymn 60.
Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis.—Hopkins
Anthem.—" Arise, Shine."—Elvey.
Hymns 65, 62 and 59 and Recessional Hymn 379.

CHURCH OF SCOTLAND.

9 a.m.—B. B. and C. I. Railway Institute, Parel.
6 p.m.—St. Andrew's, Fort.
Hymns 27, 25, 2nd tune, and 66, 1st tune.
Anthem.—" The Home Land."

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, KAMATIPURA.

11 a.m.—Morning Service and Holy Communion.—Hymns 61, 60 and 59.
6 p.m.—Evening Service.—Hymns 62, 59 and 60.

CHRIST CHURCH, BYCULLA.

7-30 a.m.—Celebration of the Holy Communion.
11 a.m.—Morning Service, Sermon and Holy Communion.—Hymns 60, 316 and 59.
Anthem.—" Behold, I bring you glad tidings."
6 p.m.—Evening Service and Sermon.—Hymns 60, 58 and 62.

ST. NICHOLAS (SEAMEN'S) CHURCH, PRINCE'S DOCK.

11 a.m.—Holy Communion.
7 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon.

HARBOUR SERVICE.

BOMBAY YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION.

Service will be held on board the s.s. City of Canterbury in the Prince's Dock on Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. Captains, officers, engineers, firemen, seamen, and others are cordially invited. The Bethel flag will be hoisted. Come and bring your friends.

THE PAREL MURDER.

MR. RYAN yesterday resumed the hearing of the evidence given by Noor Mahomed Ahmed Khan, the accomplice of Syed Gool, who is charged with the murder of Sherifa Khatoon, a Mahomedan woman. Mr. Little continued the examination of the man, who said : The accused had left me at the J. J. Hospital, saying he was going to buy the tickets, and I had to meet him at the Jukria Musjid. In the evening I met Syed Gool and he showed me three tickets for Aden he had bought for himself, his daughter and myself. I refused to go to Aden and demanded my clothes from him. He promised to give me property and his daughter in marriage if I would accompany him. He swore on the Koran that he would make it good for me if I went. He then took me by the hand, and, accompanied by two brokers, we went to the Bazaar where Syed Gool purchased several articles for the voyage. The next day we went to the Prince's Dock, in company with the two brokers and a Pathan, who was also going to Aden. As we could not go on board that day we passed the night in the streets. That night I again asked the accused to let me remain behind in Bombay, and offered to return him the ticket and six rupees. But Syed Gool would not agree to this, and said he would take me on a pilgrimage to Mecca. He again promised to give me his property and let me marry his daughter. I then consented. On the voyage to Aden Syed Gool threw overboard two jackets and a handkerchief, belonging to the murdered woman, and also four books. When we arrived at Aden some policemen came aboard about eleven o'clock at night, immediately after the ship anchored. We were lying on the deck asleep at the time. We were taken into custody with all we had. We were then put into another boat and brought to Bombay. On the return voyage Syed was allowed to retain his bedding, and when coming he threw overboard the *razai* which the deceased had laid upon when murdered and out of which he had cut the stained pieces. When we came to Bombay we were handed over to the Bombay Police.

The case was then adjourned, as the accused said he would cross-examine the witness and others at the Session.

The Magistrate informed the accused that the case would be adjourned to the 6th proximo, and would be heard at the Girgaum Police Court.

HOME REMITTANCES.

OFFICIAL INTELLIGENCE.

WEEKLY memorandum of remittances to the Home Treasury by means of Council Bills :—

Amount to be remitted during 1887-88	£16,114,000
Remitted from 1st April 1887 to 17th Dec. 1887,	£10,169,700
Balance to be remitted from 18th Dec. 1887 to 31st March, 1888	£5,944,300

A CONSERVATIVE member of Parliament—Sir W. H. Houldsworth—has been firing a shot into his own camp, as represented by the recent conference at Oxford. The Fair Traders remind him of an old Scotch doctor, who, on being consulted with regard to the difficult case of a child whose ailment he could not make out, said to the child's mother, "Weel, ma'm, tae tell ye the truth, I dinna ken what's the maiter wi' yer bairn, but I'll gie him a pooder that'll put him into fits, an' I'm a dab at fits." The Conservative party, remarks a home paper, is making up its mind to administer the powder that will give the country fits, and the question is will the more intelligent Tories like Sir W. Houldsworth and the Unionist Liberals be a party to such doctoring ?

LOADING A STEAMER TO THE DEPTH OF THE "LOAD LINE."

YESTERDAY in the Appeal Court, an appeal in the case of Hassumbhoy Visram and Company *vs.* the Bombay and Persian Steam Navigation Company from a decision of Mr. Justice Hart, delivered in February 1887, was heard before the Hon. Mr. Justice Bayley, Acting Chief Justice, and the Hon. Mr. Justice Scott. Mr. Kirkpatrick and Mr. Jardine, instructed by Messrs. Winter and Burder, appeared for the Bombay and Persian Steam Navigation Company, the appellants and defendants in the case ; while Mr. Farran and Mr. Lang, instructed by Messrs. Payne, Gilbert and Sayani, appeared for Hassumbhoy Visram and Company, the plaintiffs and respondents.

The suit in the lower Court was brought to recover a sum of Rs. 1,000 improperly demanded by defendants, as also five other sums, aggregating Rs. 7,173, as damages incurred by the plaintiffs, the charterers of the defendant's steamer the Mobile, owing to the breach by the defendants of a charter party entered into between the parties. The charter party was made in Bombay on the 20th November, 1884. The charter was of the whole vessel for a lump sum of Rs. 21,000 for the round voyage from Bombay to Zanzibar, thence to Mauritius, and thence back to Bombay, with a full and complete cargo of lawful merchandise, kerosine, specie, animals on deck, and cabin and 'tween-deck and deck passengers from the three ports. The breaches complained of were, that at Bombay the captain of the Mobile refused to take certain cargo offered him, though he had not then received a full and complete cargo until the plaintiffs paid him an additional sum of Rs. 1,000. Again, that at Mauritius he refused to receive on board 2,800 bags of sugar, which he was bound to carry under the charter party, whereby the plaintiffs suffered a loss in freight of Rs. 2,100 ; and thirdly, that at Mauritius the captain refused to receive on board 45 deck, 55 'tween-deck, and 9 cabin passengers, whereby the plaintiffs suffered Rs. 4,954 in respect of the passage money. The plaintiffs also claimed as damages Rs. 96 paid to surveyors in Bombay as their fees for surveying and reporting on the ship both here before her departure and after her return from Mauritius, and Rs. 155 paid at Mauritius on account of the defendants for costs incurred in certain proceedings of arrest against the steamer by shippers in consequence of the refusal of the captain to sign bills of lading. As regards the latter of these two items, it was admitted by plaintiffs' counsel at the hearing that the claim would not be sustained in the face of an undertaking by plaintiffs' agent at Mauritius to pay all demands with regard to costs for the seizure of the Mobile. As regarded the former, Mr. Justice Hart thought the fee paid to a surveyor could hardly be called a necessary and immediate consequence of the breach ; and his Lordship accordingly disallowed these damages as too remote. As regarded the other items of claim, aggregating Rs. 7,954, the defendants denied the alleged breaches and set off Rs. 100 paid by the captain at Mauritius to his attorneys as costs in respect of the seizure of the steamer, which they said the plaintiffs were liable to pay under the undertaking. It was contended that the undertaking applied to the costs of the shippers effecting the seizure ; but his Lordship thought the defendants were entitled to include these Rs. 100 with the Rs. 155, which the plaintiffs were admittedly liable to pay under the undertaking. As regards the Rs. 1,000, his Lordship thought it was clear upon the captain's own statement that the amount was paid under compulsion in the sense that plaintiffs were obliged to pay it in order to get their 4,000 extra bags shipped ; and if they had not paid it, they would not have got them shipped. If, then, they were entitled to have them shipped without payment of Rs. 1,000, they were entitled, in his Lordship's opinion, to recover back the Rs. 1,000, which they were obliged to pay in order to get them shipped. The first question then was whether the steamer was fully laden on the 3rd December 1885 when the captain first refused to receive more cargo on board. He said this was so ; because she was then loaded to the depth of the load-line mentioned in her Lloyd's certificate, 15 feet 6 inches. As to this load-line, his Lordship said there was no visible indication of it on the ship's side. In the certificate, however, there was no mention whatever of any load-line of Lloyd's register, or Lloyd's certificate, or Lloyd's rules anywhere in the charter-party. But under the charter-party the plaintiffs were entitled to ship a "full and complete cargo." This Mr. Justice Hart took to mean as much as she could be reasonably expected to carry with due regard to the safety of the ship and cargo, the safety and comfort of those on board, and the necessary requirements of space for the proper working of the ship under all the circumstances of weather and climate in which she was plying. Unless, then, it appeared that this point was reached when the steamer was loaded to a depth of 15 feet 6 inches, his Lordship did not think that Lloyd's load line was of much use in determining what is a "full and complete cargo" under the present charter-party. The defendants did not suggest any other criterion than Lloyd's load-line of a full and complete cargo. On the other hand it appeared that when with extra cargo the Mobile was brought down to a depth of about 16 feet, she travelled with ease and safety, carrying 6 passengers. His Lordship held the plaintiffs were entitled to recover back the Rs. 1,000 they were obliged to pay in order to get the extra bags shipped. The next question was as to the refusal to ship 2,800 bags offered at Mauritius. Had the captain it appeared from the surveyor's evidence that his objection—based on Lloyd's load line of 15 feet 6 inches. With the additional bags the vessel would have been less than the Mobile carried on a former voyage from Chittagong for the same charterers ; and his lordship held that the plaintiffs were entitled to recover Rs. 2,100 as damages in respect of the cargo refused at Mauritius. As to the next item of claim in respect of passengers from Mauritius, his Lordship held the plaintiffs were entitled to recover damages for the passengers refused, *i.e.*, 60 deck and 9 cabin. After making certain deductions, his Lordship gave judgment for plaintiffs for Rs. 5,960 with costs and interest.

It was argued for the appellants and defendants that Mr. Justice Hart was wrong in holding that the sum of Rs. 1,000 paid by the plaintiffs to the defendants on the 6th December 1885, was so paid under compulsion. The defendants, it was contended, were entitled to retain the sum of Rs. 1,000. The Judge was wrong in awarding to the plaintiffs the sum of Rs. 2,100 as damages for breach of the charter party in not loading a full and complete cargo at Mauritius ; and he ought to have found that the defendants did load at Mauritius a full and complete cargo within the meaning of the charter-party ; and that the plaintiffs were entitled to no damages in respect of the alleged breach. Again, he was wrong in awarding Rs. 2,960 as damages in respect of the defendants' refusal to carry passengers from Mauritius to Bombay ; and ought to have held that, under the circumstances proved in evidence, they were not bound to carry any passengers from Mauritius. In any case, the Judge should have held that the plaintiffs could not claim in respect both of cargo refused and passengers ; and should have put the plaintiffs to their election instead of awarding damages under both heads.

The hearing of the appeal was not concluded at the rising of the Court.

EUROPEAN PENSIONERS' AND WIDOWS' HOMES.

LIEUTENANT-COLONEL J. B. SPARKS gratefully acknowledges the receipt from the undermentioned gentlemen of the following sums kindly collected by them for Christmas gifts to the inmates of the above Institutions :—

	Rs.	a.	p.
Proprietor, Apollo Hotel	84	15	0
M. T. Conry	40	8	0
Messrs. Richardson and Cruddas	38	0	0
Mr. H. W. Barrow	22	0	0
Mr. Geo. Manson	20	0	0
Mr. R. A. Hildreth	20	0	0
Proprietor, Cumballa Hotel	17	0	0
Messrs. Geo. Gahagan and Co.	15	0	0
Messrs. Green and Read	7	0	0

Bombay, Dec. 23.

LIST OF RESIDENTS.

GREAT WESTERN HOTEL, BOMBAY.

Lord Tenterden, England
* Capt Sandwith, Poona
* Major W James
* Col and Mrs A C Hay, Bangalore
* Mr A E P Graves
Mr T Filgate, Poona
* Mr and Mrs Kennedy, England
* Mrs C Williams and party, England
* Mr and Mrs W Colvin, England
* Capt and Mrs Graves, England.
* Capt Montresor, England
Mr F W Good, England
Mr T H Alkins, England
* Mrs M De Albuquerque, Lisbon
* Mrs Grant, Lisbon
* Mrs B Warren, Lisbon.
* Revd Midwinter, Marmagoa
Mr R T Coggan, Raipur, C. P.
Mr H Richardson, Raipur, C P
Mr E Berry, Raipur, C P
Surgeon H Gimlette, England
Mr L Gutmann, Paris.
* Mr F White
Mr and Mrs W H Page, Mozufferpore
Capt and Mrs Carden, England
Capt and Mrs R A C King, England
Miss Bell, England
Mr W H Searle, R N
* Lieut H Lane, 3rd D G, England
Lieut J French Mullen, 7th D G, England
Mr M Dansey, Berar
Mr John Douglas Brown, John D Brown and Co,
Mr P Osborne, Australia
Miss Osborne, Australia
Mrs C De C Hamilton, Poona
Surg-Maj and Mrs Banks, Surat
* Mr Richmond, Gorrackpore
* Capt Main s. s. Akaba
Mr M Bates
* Capt De Albuquerque, Panjih
* Mr D Jaffery, Surat
Mr Foster, Bombay
Mr Anderson Clarke, Bombay
Mr and Mrs A C Tupp, Accountant-General, Bombay
Mr L A Bachelden, U S A, Bombay
Mr T Mitchell, England
Mr W J Grant, C E, England
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Mr E Bachrach, Bombay
Lieut H Eustace, Bombay
Mr C St Boggs, Bombay
Mr A Conley, Bombay
Mr D Rae, Bombay
Mrs Mandint
Mr T Bland, Bombay
Mr W Fernie, Bombay
Mrs Vera Thompson, Bombay
Mr and Mrs Mark Wadia
Mr R T Webb, Bombay
Mr W N Cresswell
Capt Bullock
Mr J Friedmann
Mr M J Heign
Mr and Mrs J Nensley
Mr Bishler

*Resident Sleft during the week marked (*) thus.

ALL those who appreciate Lily White Tooth Purity of the Mouth, and a Breath of Flowers should use Kemp & Co's "FLORAL MOUTH ELIXIR, which is both a perfect Dentifrice and at the same time a delicious Mouth-Wash, per bottle Re. 1-4 and Re. 2-8.

BOMBAY PORT TRUST.

THE following are excerpts from the proceedings of a meeting of the Trustees of the Port of Bombay held on the 20th instant :—

NEW QUARTERS FOR DOCK OFFICIALS.

Submitted letter from the Engineer, dated 21st October, forwarding for approval plans, elevations and sections of the proposed buildings to contain offices for Dock Superintendent and Traffic Manager, and quarters for Dock Master, and Assistant Dock Master, prepared, so far as extent of accommodation is concerned, in accordance with instructions given by the chairman. The Engineer states that the offices have been arranged with the assistance of the officers concerned, to suit the convenience and the sequence of the work to be performed. The Engineer states that the height of the different storeys is almost similar to those of the Elphinstone Circle ; that the facing will be of the ordinary blue basalt, with string courses and arches in Porebunder or Coorla stone. He states that in the building shown, the full areas given by the chairman have been obtained with the exception of one bedroom in the Dock Master's quarters, and that as the verandahs are spacious, perhaps, this may be neglected. In the event, however, of the absolute number of rooms being required, a bedroom may, he states, be had at top of south-west tower. He mentions, however, that the approach to this room would under various circumstances be uncomfortable and somewhat dangerous. The cook and servants' rooms are, he states, on the top of the house, with stairs leading to the living rooms ; and he also shows on the plans additional accommodation on the top of the building, which can be provided at an increase in the estimate of Rs. 11,402. The Engineer states that he has had borings made of the ground, and finds it not sufficiently stable to put a heavy building upon, and that he has therefore provided in the estimate for piling the foundations. The estimate, he states, also provides for flooring the building with plain Staffordshire tiles. He also states that the tower will contain a clock, with four faces, controlled, if required, by electricity, also a time ball, and that the estimate is Rs. 2,59,076. To obtain the areas required together with 10 feet verandahs, on east and west sides, and with a porch on the west, and still keep to the back and front lines of the warehouses, the Engineer states it will be necessary to encroach 10 feet on the road to the north, and 3 feet on the road to the south, but that as the north road is 80 feet wide, and is usually crowded by unemployed labourers, the reduction can easily be spared and the small portion taken from the south can, he considers, be taken without injuring the traffic in any way.

Submitted letter from the Engineer, dated 3rd December, containing further information regarding his estimates.

Submitted minute by the chairman, dated 9th December.

The papers, having been circulated, were not read.

Resolution.—That recommended by the chairman the plans and estimate are approved and sanctioned, and steps should be taken accordingly ; the sanction of Government being also applied for. The trustees do not consider it necessary to require more detailed estimates in the circumstances of the case. Should a third bedroom on the 2nd floor be hereafter proved to be really necessary, it can be provided by partitioning off a portion of one of the verandahs. The additional accommodation on the third floor, which the Engineer estimates could be provided for Rs. 11,802, is not considered necessary in the meantime. The encroachments on the roads on the north and south provided for by the Engineer are not, in the circumstances explained by him, considered by the trustees to be a serious drawback. The building should be connected, both for night soil and sullage, with the Frere Road sewer. It should be explained to Government that the estimate is included in the loan of 10 lakhs, authorised to be raised by Government Resolution, No. 275, dated 10th August, 1887, the rough estimate then submitted being Rs. 2,68,593, against the Rs. 2,59,076 now sanctioned. The Trustees prefer Coorla to Porebunder stone for the string courses and arches as being more lasting, and it should accordingly be used.

A NEW ILLUMINANT.

Read letter from the Agent for Hannay's Paten Company, dated 14th instant, stating, with reference to the Lucigen machinery and plant recently sent out from England, and now lying at the Port Trust workshop at Mazagon, that the patentees and manufacturers of the apparatus desire that the machinery and plant may be disposed of as soon as possible, and are willing to accept Rs. 1,000 for all the plant connected with the apparatus, and now at the trustees' workshops.

Read report by the Engineer, dated 15th December stating that the apparatus would be useful at night instead of torches, which have to be used for tidal works, also that it would be useful for decking ships should anything happen to the electric light. The Engineer states that it will be necessary to work after dark at the gates an hydraulic machinery of the dock extension and that a portion of the cost could be charged to these heads.

Resolution.—The machinery and plant may be purchased for Rs. 1,000 as recommended by the Engineer.

A NEW LIFE-BOAT.

Read letter from the Port Officer, dated 5th November, inviting the attention of the trustees to Government Resolution, Revenue Department, dated 24th September, from which it appears that a new life-boat is to be provided as an early date, to be stationed at Alibag. The Port Officer states that Kennery being in telegraphic communication with Alibag and Bombay, he is of opinion that it would be a useless waste of money for life-boats to be maintained both at Alibag and Kennery Island, and that after the new boat is provided at Alibag the maintenance of a life-boat at Kennery during the monsoon will be unnecessary, and that a sum of Rs. 2,000 may thus be saved to the Port Fund. The Port Officer further states that the Kennery life-boat has only been of service in affording assistance to vessels in distress once during the last S. W. Monsoon, and that the Alibag life-boat was employed on the same occasion. He observes that any communication required with the light-house keeper at Kennery, can be made, when necessary, from Bombay with the appliances at the disposal of the Engineer and Port Department.

Read minutes of trustees to whom papers were circulated.

Resolution.—This question should be brought forward for consideration in October next.

THE PAY OF CLERKS.

Read letter from the Traffic Manager, dated 8th November, again bringing up for consideration the question of the pay of the junior members of his staff, as he considers that there is a need for re-organization so far as pay is concerned.

Read minute by chairman, dated 16th December. He observes that one of the recommendations of the Special Establishment Committee in October, 1883, was "that the junior clerks, assistant inspectors and the like, on joining, should be appointed on Rs. 20 a month, and if their service is approved that they should receive Rs. 25 a month for the second year, and Rs. 30 a month for the third year, irrespective of vacancies occurring, but that their future promotion should be dependent on vacancies ; the annual increments should further be subject to approval by the chairman." The chairman states that it now seems that this is not nearly enough to enable suitable men to be obtained, and he recommends that the trustees should sanction the employment of all new clerks at not less than Rs. 30 a month, instead of Rs. 20, and authorise heads of departments after a man has been four years on Rs. 30, to recommend him, should his services have been in all respects satisfactory, for an increase of Rs. 5 to Rs. 35, and the same with men of more than Rs. 30 up to Rs. 45. The chairman states that such recommendation should not be made if there is a reasonable prospect of the men obtaining an increase by other means ; that provision for such increases would be proposed by head of departments when the budget was being prepared, and that care would be taken to provide for such men otherwise if practicable ; that the scale now on Rs. 25 and Rs. 20 would go on under existing rules till Rs. 30 was reached, when they would be eligible for recommendation under the four years. The arrangement to be for all departments.

Read minutes of members of Establishment Committee.

Resolution.—The recommendations contained in the chairman's minute, dated 16th instant, are approved and should be acted upon. It will be understood that a man may rise after four years periods to Rs. 45 a month under these rules.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The following were amongst the papers laid on the table :—

PILOTAGE STATEMENT.

	For week ending 16th Dec. 1887.	For week ending 16th Dec. 1886.
Vessels piloted into harbour	21	20
" out of "	19	21
" transported	6	9
" attended to	2	2

STATEMENT OF VESSELS USING PRINCE'S DOCK.

	For week ending 16th Dec. 1887.	For week ending 16th Dec. 1886.
Vessels entered	7	11
" left	9	12
" remaining in dock.	12	14

METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS.

GOVERNMENT OBSERVATORY.

BOMBAY, 22nd December, 1887.

Means of observations at 6 *a.m.*, 10 *a.m.*, 2 *p.m.*, 4 *p.m.*, *and* 10 *p.m.*

Barometer corrected 32 deg. Fah.	29·899
Temperature of the Air	74·6
Wet Bulb Termometer	66·6
Dew Point	62·6
Relative humidity of Air	69
Excess of cloudy sky (the whole sky clouded =10)	0·4
Maximum temperature of air (read at 2 p.m.)	82·5
Minimum do (read at 10 a.m.)	67·0
General Directions of Wind*	ESE, E, ENE, NE, NW
Movement of wind in 24 hours*	NNW, 221

* From midnight to midnight.

FLORILINE.—FOR THE TEETH AND BREATH.—A few drops of the liquid "Floriline" sprinkled on a wet tooth-brush produces a pleasant lather, which thoroughly cleanses the teeth from all parasites or impurities, hardens the gums, prevents tartar, stops decay, gives to the teeth a peculiar pearly whiteness, and a delightful fragrance to the breath. It removes all unpleasant odour arising from decayed teeth or tobacco smoke. The "Fragrant Floriline," being composed in part of honey and sweet herbs, is delicious to the taste, and the greatest toilet discovery of the age. Price Re. 1-8. of all Chemists and Perfumers throughout the world. Sold wholesale by the Anglo-American Drug Company, Limited, of 38, Farringdon-road, London.

CALENDAR—DECEMBER, 1887.

PHASE OF THE MOON.

Full Moon ..... Dec. 30th, 1h. 57m., p.m.

Days.	Engagements, &c.	Sun-Rise.	Sun-Set.	High Water.	Low Water.
		H. M.	H. M.	M. H. M.	M. H. M.
Sat. 24	Christmas Eve.	6 32	5 27	6 5m	0 13m
	Cook's Afternoon Excursion in the Harbour, Apollo Bunder 4 p.m.			8 0 a	1 17 a
	Neville's Gaiety Company, 2 p.m.				
	Chiarini's Circus, 9p.m				
Sun. 25	Christmas Day.	6 32	5 8	7 6m	1 25m
	Christmas Dinners :—			8 54 a	1 58 a
	Sailors' Home.				
	Government Workhouse.				
	Strangers' Home.				
	Pensioners' Home.				
Mon. 26	St. Stephen.—Boxing Day.	6 33	5 29	8 2m	2 24m
	English mail expected per s.s. Cathay.*			9 33 a	2 37 a
Tu. 27	St. John's Day.	6 33	5 29	8 33m	2 12m
	Departure of Maharaja of Mysore.			10

SPECIAL SHORT ADVERTISEMENTS.

The scale for these Advertisements is as follows:—Not exceeding 3 lines Re. 1; each succeeding line, As. 8. No trade advertisements are admitted under the scale.

FRESH CUT ROSES and other Flowers from Poona, THIS DAY, at the CO-OPERATIVE STORES, Meadow Street, Fort, Bombay.
W. J. ESSAI.

CHRISTMAS EVE at the CO-OPERATIVE STORES, Ld., Medow Street, Fort.
W. J. ESSAI.

CHINESE LANTERNS, Candle Holders, and Ornaments in abundance for 'Xmas Trees, at the CO-OPERATIVE STORES, Ld., Fort.
W. J. ESSAI.

HAMS.—Prime Plump Cumberland, Prima quality, from 6 lbs. to 20 lbs. each, at the CO-OPERATIVE STORES, Ld., Fort.
W. J. ESSAI.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS.—COOK'S HARBOUR EXCURSION leaving the Apollo Bunder, TO-DAY, at 4 p.m., returning at about 7. Refresh ments.

DOESKIN GLOVES, Khaki and White, 4 Buttons, best quality. All sizes, Rs. 3-8 per pair.
THORPE & Co.,
Military Outfitters, Bombay.

LADIES' TAN GLOVES, 4 Buttons, extra long, soft and fresh, just arrived.
THORPE & Co.,
General Outfitters, Bombay.

SCARVES and TIES.—Our New Stock has just arrived. All the newest Patterns, from Re 1 to Rs. 2-12.
THORPE & Co.,
Hosiers, Glovers, Shirtmakers, Bombay.

APOLLO BUNDER DINING ROOMS will be CLOSED 12 o'clock to 5-30 p. m., 'XMAS DAY.

NOW READY.—The BOMBAY CHRISTIAN ALMANACK. Price 8 annas. Post paid 10 annas. The Bombay Tract and Book Society.

'XMAS EVE.—TO-DAY till 7 o'clock. Great bargains at the CASH BAZAAR, Ld., Liquidation Sale, Church Gate St., Drapers and Outfitters.

WANTED, a cast-iron FOUNTAIN; height more th an 3 feet; statile form preferred: new or second-hand. Apply to B., care of this paper.

'XMAS CARDS! 'XMAS CARDS!! At 25 per cent. discount to clear stock only for TO-MORROW, the 25th. Embrace the opportunity when you can.—SHROFF BROTHERS.

OUR FIRM will be kept open till 9 p.m., to enable customers to make their purchase of toys and fancy goods at exceptionally cheap prices.—SHROFF BROTHERS.

TRY OUR FLOWERY ORANGE PEKOE, Rs. 1-10, and Golden Mix, Re. 1-8 per lb., and you will be surely pleased with them. Price list on application.—N. M. DANTRA and Co., Tea Merchants, 27 Church Gate Street, Fort, Bombay.

ICES, Wines, and Spirits of the best quality. English and French Sweets, Chocolate and Chocolate Creams. Just received very nice Birthday Christmas and New Year Cards. To be had at the VIENNA CONFECTIONERY, No. 25, Church Gate Street, Fort.

WANTED.—A Competent ACCOUNTANT and HEAD ASSISTANT, Salary, Rs. 125 per month. Apply with references and testimonials of past services, at the Colaba Land and Mill Company, Ld., upto 31st December, 1887.

WANTED, an OVERSEER, pay Rs. 50. None without a competent and practical knowledge of road making, preparing plans and estimates, of English and Marathi, need apply. Address with copies of testimonials to the Chairman, Municipality, Bandora.

ITALIAN SWEETS.—MONDOLATO, (Forrone) FAVE, and MUSTACCIONI de NAPOLI at PEARSE'S 7, Church Gate Street.

LOCAL SELF-GOVERNMENT by SINA.—A paper on the introduction of representative institutions in India. 8 annas; postage, 1 anna.

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[illegible] NEW, for a [illegible] TIVE ART POTTERY, selected by the Committee for the forthcoming Glasgow Exhibition.—[illegible] LAND, Esplanade.

STEAM Llaunch "ELEPHANTA" has been specially fitted up for Picnics, and is now ready for parties to Elephanta, &c. Apply to THOS. and Son.

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SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

THE s s Preston, 1,401 tons, Captain F Brown, sailed from Bombay yesterday, for Calcutta, in ballast.

THE ship Lodestar, 1,690 tons, cleared yesterday for Calcutta, laden with a cargo of salt, under command of Captain P Nolan.

THE B I steamer Nerbudda, 1,948 tons, Captain W W Allan, arrived in Bombay yesterday, laden with a general cargo only, from Calcutta.

THE B and P S N steamer Henry Balcow will sail to-day, under Captain. Thos Hughes, sails to-day for the Persian Gulf, laden and with 150 deck passengers.

THE s s Regius, 2,119 tons, Captain W T Kayall, brought to Bombay yesterday a cargo of railway materials for the G I P R Co., from Middlesborough (Nov 18). The vessel is consigned to the Captain.

THE s s Dracona, 1,245 tons, arrived in Bombay yesterday morning in command of Captain W Sangster, from Glasgow (Nov 21), from whence she has brought out a cargo of coals and pipes as per orders. She had Mr Opitz, two children and an ayah, as passengers on board.

THE B I steamer Pachumba, Captain J B Mackay, sailed for the Coast ports and Karachi, last evening, laden with a general cargo and the following passengers:—Mr J Leask, Major H de Berniere, Mr R H Macaulay, Mr T M Filgate and School Mistress Nicdes, for Karachi; and 82 deck for various ports.

THE B I S N steamer Arabia, Captain G Shepherd, from the Persian Gulf ports and Karachi, laden with a general cargo and with 56 horses on board, arrived in Bombay harbour yesterday morning. She had the following passengers:—Mr Apcar, Sirdar Ahmedalli, two ladies and three children, accompanied by 39 followers; Messrs. Dawoorzika and Mackizdy, Mr J H Patterson, Mr H Gonne, Mr Tata, Surgeon-General W A and Mrs Thomson, Mrs Nadir Edalji, two Mahomedan gentlemen, one R A lascar and 114 deck.

THE ARRIVAL OF THE CHINA MAIL.

THE P. and O. steamer Malwa, 1707 tons, Captain G. W. Atkinson, arrived in Bombay yesterday afternoon with the China mails on board, having left Shanghai on the 1st instant and called at Hongkong, Singapore and Colombo. The following passengers, among whom there are two for home, arrived with her:—Mr. and Mrs. Read and native servant, Mr. H. S. Henderson, Mr. L. C. Parker, Mr. G. E. Thompson, Mr. R. John, Mr. Donkun, Major Tottenham, two native firemen, H. Gowasjee, B. Herjeebhoy, Mr. W. H. Lewis, Rev. J. Macdonald, Mr. A. R. Shroff, Mr. R. Barton, Mr. Brown, Mr. C. Sander, Mr. F. King, Mrs. Bills, child and nurse, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Langham, Miss. Mays, Mr. E. Satcliffe, and 74 distressed B. seamen.

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23RD DECEMBER, 1887.

Vessels.	Net Tonnage	Captains.	Sheds.	Company or Agents.
S.S. Ballarat....	2679	E. Ashdown	A	P. & O. Co.
„ City of Canterbury ..	2099	A. B. Gray.....	E	Sir C. Forbes & Co.
„ Vulcan	1441	W. Skinner	H	K. Nixon & Co.
„ Livingstone.	1394	P. Reimers	L	Boyts Craig & Co
„ Kt. of St. John	2286	J. L. Sheil	..	J. Mackintosh & Co.
„ Cervin.....	1741	S. Hughson	..	W. & A. Graham & Co.
„ Healthfield..	1398	C. McFee	N	J. Mackintosh & Co.
„ Akaba.....	2470	J. Main	P	K. Nixon & Co.
„ Avoca	901	C. Clyhoe	Ibis	Visram Ebrahim & Co.

ARRIVALS.

Dec.	Vessel.	Commander	From.
23	Regius (s)	Kayall	Middlesbro', Nov. 13
	Dracona (s)	Sangster	Glasgow, Nov. 21.
	Fateh Salemo	Nakoda	Damaun, Dec. 20.
	Nurbudda (s)	Allan	Calcutta.
	Arabia (s)	Shepherd	Busreh, Dec. 10.
	Shirwood	Nakoda	Mudapet, Dec. 12.
	Malwa (s)	Atkinson ...	China.

DEPARTURES.

Dec.	Vessel.	Commander	Destination.
23	Nizam (s)	Haselwood ..	Trieste, London, &c
	Pacona (s)	Mackay	Coast and Karachi.
	Preston (s)	Brown	Calcutta.
	Putialla (s)	Smith	Coast and Calcutta.

The following vessels were cleared out yesterday:—Steamer H. Balckow, Hughes, for Persian Gulf.
Ship Lodestar, Nolan, for Calcutta.

The steamer Clifton commenced to load yesterday for Genoa and Marseilles.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

ARRIVALS.—DECEMBER 22.

De Hoghton, Captain, Bombay, N Lanc Regt, on leave, from Mhow.
Walker, Lt Col, Bombay, Ordnance Office, on Inspection duty, from Kirkee.

DECEMBER 23.

Peyton, Major, Bombay, Durham L I, on leave, from Allahabad.

DEPARTURES.—DECEMBER 22.

Sandwith, Capt, 8th Bombay Infantry, on duty, to Rajkote.
Health, Lt, Bengal, R E, to join, to Roorkee.

DECEMBER 23.

Shubrick, Lt, Bengal, R M, Ll, on duty, to Agra.
Hewat, Major, Bengal, Rl, Scots Fusiliers, from leave, from Umballa.
De Berniere, Major, Bengal, 1st Worcester Regt, on duty, to Quetta.
Fagan, Lt Col., Bombay Comt Dept, on leave, to Ahmedabad.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLE CORPS.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS

By Lieut-Col. the Hon. L. H. Bayley, Commandant, B.V.R.C.

Bombay, 24th December, 1887.

1. It is notified that the Annual Field Day will be held in the vicinity of old Coorla on the 31st inst. It is hoped that all will endeavour to attend. The Corps will be conveyed by the 5-30 a.m., train (Bombay time) from Boree Bunder stopping to pick up at all intermediate stations. Coffee will be provided at Coorla and Ghat Cooper, and breakfast after the Field Day. Instructions will be issued to Officers Commanding Companies giving the general idea and special duties. Officers Commanding Companies are requested to notify probable numbers as early as possible, showing signallers. Uniform Red, white or khaki. The Corps will return to Bombay about 12 noon.

2. It is requested that Officers Commanding Companies will send in, as soon as possible, the probable numbers for the Proclamation Parade on the 2nd January. Particulars as to the time etc., of the Parade will be published hereafter.

3. Within reference to Regimental order No. 2 of 13th instant, "C." Company, will practice for the Bayley Shield Competition on the 30th instant instead of 2nd January 1888.

4. There will be no Commandant's parade on Saturday, 7th proximo.

5. The B. V. R. C. Band will not play at the Esplanade Bandstand, on Monday, next the 26th instant.

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COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

FRIDAY EVENING, DEC. 23.

WE have no further change to notice in any of the quotations for Stock usually wired from London; nor was there any further movement in Silver yesterday, at 44⅛d. per oz.

A decrease of one per cent. in the Reserve of the Bank of England, is notified by the Weekly Return, which makes it 45 per cent. of the Liabilities. The Bank rate remains at 4 per cent. per annum; and outside rates also appear to be unaltered.

The weekly shipments of Specie to India are wired as £140,000 in Silver, and £10,000 Gold, all for Bombay.

Braziers' Copper was still quoted at £90 in London; but Wallaroo was nominally £2 per ton higher, at £84. Yellow Metal and Spelter were unchanged.

The market for East Indian Wheat was firm at previous rates all round; and in Mincing Lane the only change was in Linseed, which had advanced 3d. per quarter, to arrived, in all descriptions.

The Liverpool market more than fulfilled the promise of its opening, the Sales having reached 15,000 bales, inclusive of 2,000 Surats. The market is described as steady at closing; but the quotation of 5 11-16d. for Mid-Uplands shows a fall of ⅛ from the previous day's rate. American Arrival prices were also lower by 1-32d. in all positions excepting Feb.-March, in which the decline was only 1-64d. per lb. Surats show no change. The tone at opening this morning was steady; probable Sales, 10,000 bales; Imports, 9,000 bales.

A decline of 1-16 took place in Spot Cotton in New York at 10⅛ cents, but Futures for April advanced 10 points, say to 10·82 cents. The Receipts at the U. S. Ports were 38,000 bales, making the comparative figures for the three years stand as follows:—

	1887	1886	1885
Thursday's Receipts ..	28,000	36,000	31,000
Five-days' do.	166,000	225,000	204,000
Since 1st Sept.	3,762,000	3,453,000	3,370,000

Dealers made prices rather higher at opening this morning; but there was no demand to support any upward movement, and rates settled down to yesterday's level, at which they close steady for the holidays, the day having been almost a blank one as to business, the only transactions reported being a lot of ready new Julgaum at Rs. 205; and 210 bales of old Compta, taken by the Mills, at Rs. 162-5 per candy. The following are the official quotations for the leading growths of New Cotton:—

	Fine	Fully Good	Good	Delivery.
Bengal	176	165	156-6	December.
Do.	175-6	164	154	January.
Julgaum.....		205-7		ready.
Do.		200	191-2	March.
Khanganum.....			208	ready.
Karanja			215½	do.
Broach	241		233	March.
Bhownuggur.....	218	210	200	do.
Do.		207	198-9	April.
Dharwar			205	April-May.
Westerns			189	May.

WHEAT is very quiet. A small business is reported in ready old Ek-dani, but we hear of nothing doing in contracts for the new crop, quotations for which, however, are steadily maintained.

SEEDS are attracting no attention for any description, excepting *Gingelly*. A retail business is being done in the little ready stuff, chiefly *Linseed*, available, but there is no inquiry for the crop, rates however being called steady. *Gingelly* is wanted for this month and next at our last quotations.

The Receipts of Produce into Bombay yesterday were as follows:—

Cotton	4,347 bales
Wheat	5,412 owts.
Linseed	3,266 „
Rapeseed.....	442 „
Gingelly	8,505 „
Groundnuts	1,666 „

FREIGHTS are dull, and ready Cotton to Liverpool is now quoted at 17s. 6d. per ton, other quotations being nominally unchanged. The Clan Munroe (s) has been filling up for Liverpool at 16s. 3d., and the Lopanto (s) for Hull at 16s. per ton. The Ss. Regulus (s) has obtained 19s. under open charter for three ports, March loading.

EXCHANGE.—Owing mainly to the limited demand for Bank Paper, this market has been much steadier to-day, and closes for the holidays firm at an advance of 1-16d. on Bank Bills, and 3-32d. in 3 months' sight Credits on last evening's quotations for ready business, and 3-32d. for forward delivery.

		per rupee
Bank Bills on demand...	1s. 5 1-32d.	
Do. Telegraphic	1s. 5d.	„
Do. 3 months' sight ...	1s. 5⅛ d.	„
Credits, 3 months' sight ...	1s. 5 9-32d.	„
Private, 3 months' sight ...	1s. 4⅞ d.	„

GOVERNMENT PAPER has been dull as to business and weak in tone. Fours for cash have been quoted at 97 15-16, and forward at 97 13-16 for January, and 97½ for the February account; but few transactions have been reported on any line. 4½ per cents. remain at 103½ nominal.

SHARES.—In anticipation of the closing of the market from this evening until the morning of the 3rd proximo there has been more animation noticeable to-day, especially in Mill Scrip, which has resulted, in most cases, in an advance on previous rates being established. Soonderdas Mill shares have advanced Rs. 80; James Greaves, Rs. 10; Howard and Bullough, Rs. 7½; Connaught, Empress, and Hindustan, Rs. 5 each; and Colaba Land and Mill, Manockji Petit, and Oriental, Rs. 2½ per share. Alliance, on the other hand, have declined Rs. 5. East Indian Press are quoted Rs. 50 lower. Clydesdale Dyeing have advanced Rs. 20. Bombay-Burma are Rs. 50 higher for the first issue, and Rs. 35 up for the second.

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DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

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BOMBAY.

DEATHS.

KABRAJI—December 23, at Thakordwar, Cooverbai, wife of Mr. Kaikhosro N. Kabraji, aged 38 years. Funeral ceremony at 5 o'clock this morning.

HENRY—December 22, at the European General Hospital, David Henry, Sub-Engineer, P. W. D. The funeral will leave the Hospital at 4-30 p.m., to-day. Friends will please accept this notice.—*R. I. P.*

SQUIBB—December 22, at the European General Hospital, James Joseph, Traffic Dept., G. I. P. Ry., aged 55 years and 2 months. Deeply regretted.—Southampton papers please copy.

WILLIAMSON—December 16, after a long illness, James Sidney Williamson, Engine-driver, B. B. and C. I. Railway, aged

TELEGRAMS.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

CONCILIATION OF RUSSIA BY THE CENTRAL POWERS.

LONDON, DEC. 23.

It is believed, that Germany, Austria and Italy, are disposed to favour the removal of Prince Ferdinand from the throne of Bulgaria, which would have the effect of conciliating Russia, and would also permit of a peaceful settlement of the Bulgarian question.

THE GOVERNMENT AND THE IRISH PRIESTHOOD.

The Rev. Father Ryan has been sentenced to one month's imprisonment for having incited the people to abstain from paying their rents.

THE CROWN PRINCE.

BERLIN, DEC. 22.

The latest reports concerning the health of the Crown Prince are more encouraging, a marked improvement has taken place, and the inflammation is diminishing.

THE TROOPING SEASON.

ISMAILIA, DEC. 22.

H.M.'s Indian troopship Malabar, outward bound to Bombay, passed through the Canal to-day.

FIRE AT AHMEDABAD.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

AHMEDABAD, DEC. 23.

A destructive fire occurred here this morning, when two large houses in Fatasaspole were demolished. The damages are reckoned at Rs. 12,000 or 14,000. The efforts of the military and police prevented the flames from spreading into a narrow street. The fire was extinguished at 8 o'clock.

COLONEL CONWAY-GORDON.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

ALLAHABAD, DEC. 23.

Colonel Conway-Gordon is so much better that he is expected to be able to rejoin his appointment on expiry of his leave in the middle of January.

THE REVOLT IN NEPAUL.

It is reported from Nepaul that the relatives of Ranbir Jung, with a force of four thousand men, have attacked and seized Jaileswan and kutcherry. It is now believed that Ranbir himself was never with the party which entered Nepaul from Segowlie direction, but quickly made his way inland from Durbhanga, saving his followers to create diversion on Segowlie-Khatmandu Road.

THE RETIREMENT OF SIR JOHN ROBERTSON.

Honorary-Major Sir John Robertson, C.I.E., Assistant Accountant-General, Military Department, retires from service on the 31st instant with honorary rank of Lieutenant-Colonel, but will remain employed in the Accounts Department until 29th February. It is reported he will be granted a special pension of £500 per annum.

NEWS FROM AFGHANISTAN.

Kandahar news states that all the Amir's spare troops in Southern Afghanistan have been ordered up to Ghazni district, but the object of the movement is not known. The Ghilzai refugees in Peshin do not report any new outbreak across the frontier.

DEPARTURE OF COL. SIR OLIVER ST. JOHN.

Colonel Sir Oliver St. John leaves Calcutta on Sunday for Baroda.

GAZETTE OF INDIA EXTRAORDINARY.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, DEC. 23.

The Viceroy in Council has nominated Sir Dinshaw Manekji Petit to be an additional member of the Supreme Council.

Promotions.—Lieutenant-Colonels H. Spearman, J. Macpherson, Bengal, and H. Jacob, Bombay Staff Corps, to be Colonels.

Majors R. Warburton and R. Rennick, Bengal, to be Lieutenant-Colonels.

Captain E. Money, to be Major.

Colonels H. Mathias and W. Jackson, Bengal, are admitted to Colonel's allowances.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

THE MAILS.

SUEZ, DEC. 23.

The P. and O. Co.'s s.s. Bengal, with the outward English mails of the 16th instant, left here for Bombay at midnight yesterday.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

ADEN, DEC. 23.

The Italian Mail steamer R. Rubattino, left here for Bombay at 3 p.m.

ZANZIBAR, DEC. 23.

H. H. the Sultan of Zanzibar's s.s. Merka left here for Bombay direct yesterday.

COLOMBO, DEC. 23.

The French mail steamers Tanais from Calcutta, and Yangtsee from Suez, arrived.

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS.

LONDON, DEC. 22.

The Liverpool Cotton market closed steady. Surats steady.

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The Manchester market has been firm.

4 per cent. Rupee Paper	69
4½ do. do.	73½
3 per cent. Consols for account	101⅛
3½ per cent. Sterling Loan	103½
4½ per cent. French Rentes	107½
Bar Silver	44d

The Bank of England Returns for the week ending yesterday show the following results:—Total bullion, £20,500,000; decrease £100,000; public deposits, £5,500,000; increase £800,000; other deposits £22,700,000; decrease £1,000,000; other securities, £19,300,000; increase £300,000; notes and gold, £12,900,000; decrease £400,000. The Bank's Reserve is 45 per cent. of the Liabilities.

THERMOMETER READINGS.

THURSDAY NIGHT, Dec. 22.

10 p.m.	73·1

FRIDAY, Dec. 23.

6 a.m.	71·8
10 a.m.	76·0
2 p.m.	82·2
4 p.m.	81·1

The rabbit nuisance in Australia becomes increasingly serious. The locust hunts in Cyprus never needed more determined attention than the means of exterminating this plague of the Australian colonists. A writer in *Blackwood's Magazine* describes the creeping up of these creatures along both banks of the River Murray, in South Australia, their march northward also from Victoria, and their crossing of the River Murray above its junction with the Darling, and their invasion of the Riverina district in New South Wales. On the Riverina plains are pastured from twenty to twenty-five million sheep, which are gradually being eaten out by the rabbits. The problem how to stop the plague is thus increasingly urgent.

Who can he be about whom *Blackwood* has roused curiosity this month in an article on literary voluptuaries? The portrait ought to be identified. It is that of a lawyer in large practice, the sole surviving partner in a great solicitors' firm, a friend and confidant of his clients, a busy man with other avocations, such as the direction of insurance companies and of shipping speculations, a man who never wants or cannot take a holiday, but whose "mania, his extravagance, his recreation, his buying books and collecting engravings to illustrate them." If you go to this man's office and hear that he is indisposed, you are to understand that he is off to a book sale. "Indisposed for business he is, but he has never had an hour's illness in his life.' Though his fancy is for sumptuous editions and rarities, "the marvel is that this man reads his books and finds leisure, without an apparent moment of spare time, to have all the literature and literary controversies of the day at his tongue tip." Who is this marvellous man, and where was he when the late Hill Burton wrote his "Book Hunter?"

PRIVATE VIEWS AND PICTURE GALLERIES.

(FROM OUR LADY CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, DEC. 1.

The old proverb, "It never rains, but it pours," is applicable to many of our institutions besides our well-administered water-supply. Sometimes we are favoured with a regular storm of concerts, plays, and operas; another time a deluge of dinners, dances, and afternoon parties; then an inundation of bazaars, lectures, and philanthropy; and now it is a regular downpour of private views and picture galleries. Besides a legion of lesser sights there are the exhibitions of the Society of British Artists and of the Institute of Painters in Oil to be seen; and the Royal Society of Painters in Water-colour opens for the private views on Friday and Saturday. Last week there was a tremendous crush at the Institute private view, and if I had not been there previously I should not have enjoyed being borne by the wave of people round the rooms without a chance of seeing the pictures, or, anything except my female neighbour's bonnet, or, perhaps, less interesting still, my male neighbour's tall hat.

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I certainly saw some pretty things in bonnets; one, a soft tongue-shaped heliotrope plush with high loopings in front, was worn with a dress of the same colour in rich silk and plush. Then there was a very artistic coffee-brown with delicate salmon pink in the front, where the folds showed their lining. The coffee-brown was pouroed cloth of the same as the wearer's long mantle, which was also lined with salmon silk, and was made with a loose deep collar lined and tied with pink and coffee-coloured ribbons. A very striking decoration for a lady's shoulder—a small stuffed animal like a weasel or a ferret,—but not either, I think, because this seemed to have the fur of a beaver. On a mantle of rich brown material trimmed with beaver one lady sported two of these small beasts. They did not add much to the charm of her appearance, though I must own she looked "distinguished." There was also a novelty in the arrangement of a black silk and velvet costume. Looking at it in front, I said, "That is a very handsome velvet dress showing a heliotrope satin lining." Presently the lady turned round, and I said, "There is another handsome dress of black silk with a heliotrope lining." It was some time before I realized that it was a case of the gold and silver faced shield, and that I had been enjoying two views of the same object. In such a crowd one does not get the full advantage of seeing pretty things at their best. Mantles, costumes, and bonnets are jumbled together often into a not very harmonious whole. A lady in emerald green plush destroyed the effect of every dress with which she came in contact, and certainly did not enhance the beauty of her own by the contrast. There ought to be a system of skying, applied to people who indulge in such crudities of colour.

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If you want varieties of style, colour, technique, and quality of artistic work, see the exhibition of the Society of British Artists, Suffolk Street. There you will find the careful and the careless, the highly-finished and the hardly-begun; the old-fashioned water-colour school gently washed in and tenderly touched up, and the new system of paint mopped on with a dash and liberality that would do honour to a river-god. In oil colours you will see sometimes the severity of drawing and austerity of subject befitting an old master, and again the levity both of treatment and subject characteristic of the modern French school. There are sea and landscapes,—still life and active,—portraits of people, and portraits of clothes; the latter are alluded to in the catalogue under such title as "an arrangement in plush," which really means a plush mantle hung on a woman; but the woman in this case is the adjunct, and apparently of no consideration. Another picture, "The muslin gown," conveys the idea that it is a dress, perhaps, just home from the laundress, and so well made up as to be worthy of being painted, perhaps, as an advertisement. Not at all; it also has a woman inside, but she was not worth mentioning. "Study in black and gold" suggests furniture, ebonized cabinets, &c., such as were in fashion some time ago; but this also is a portrait of a lady in a black dress with a yellow flower. I have not put it poetically, but in this age of extravagant language, it is something to be accurate, and to have one's meaning understood.

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There is no imaginable limit, I believe, to the number of pictures permitted to each exhibitor. The president, Mr. Whistler, contributes twenty works, five of which are in oil and water-colour. When you hear of twenty works, I daresay you imagine poor Mr. Whistler slaving all day long to cover canvasses unlimited in extent. This is not quite the case; his canvasses are small, and do not give one the idea of hard work. I should like to see them carried a little farther, dent's work there is room for improvement. Most people are raving enthusiastically about Mr. William Scott, of Oldham's, "Venus." It is a very decorative picture, and uncommon in treatment, but I would like to see the whole of the face of Venus, and I think what is shown might have been prettier. A Venus that is not really beautiful is an incongruity, and a Venus, ancient or modern, who hides her face willingly, is an impossibility. The colour and arrangement are both very good, and the picture is altogether very pleasant. Mr. Solomon Solomon contributes a clever portrait of Professor Goltz, and there are portraits of other interesting people by well-known names. Mr. Cunninghame Graham (of riot notoriety, I suppose), by G. P. Jacomb Hood, R.B.A.; H. Hooper, by J. Sharman, which is not so good as his women portraits; Mr. G. S. Willard, the popular actor in "the Pointsman," and other plays by Sidney Starr, R.B.A.; "Dr. Howard Stewart," by Theodore Roussel, R.B.A.; the portrait of William Bromley, the oldest living member of the R.B.A., by J. D. Watson, R.B.A.; and of "H. Ryder Haggard and J. Stanley Little," by G. Leon-Little; and, finally, a striking picture by Theodore Roussel of Mrs. Mortimer Mendes standing in a black dress against a crimson background. Miss K. McCausland's study of "Mrs. S." is another effect in red. It is prettily managed, but the repetition of the same action in both arms is a great fault in the composition. "A Cottage in Sunlight," by Samuel Llewyllyn, is a charming little bit, simply done. Mr. Godward's "Poppæa" is a study of a well-known model of a Roman girl, whom Mr. Godward has been good enough to re-name after Nero's wife. The drapery is excellent, but the flesh painting not so successful as his pictures at the Institute. Nevertheless it is a nice picture, and has already found a purchaser. Both the elder and younger Ludovici contribute a great many pictures—the elder some pretty things with small children as fairies, and children with a barrel-organ and a monkey. Mr. A. Ludovici, Junior, of Charlotte St., Fitzroy Square, has a great variety of subjects—some delightful out-door sketches—"The Commodore," a girl in white with a naval cap and a telescope, and "On the Sandhills." Mr. Aubrey Hunt has a charming water-colour, "Misty Morning on the South Coast," and two sea views in oil—"March-day at Greenhithe" and "Gathering Seaweed on the Coast of Normandy." He is very successful in getting atmospheric effect, whether it be summer mist or cold March breeze.

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There are a number of works on view which were done by the late Frank H. Potter, a painter who died last May at the comparatively early age of forty-two. He was the son of Mr. George K. Potter, a solicitor and secondary of the city of London for fifty years, and nephew of Cipriani Potter, the musician and composer, and first president of the Royal Academy of Music. Frank Potter, though an extremely patient and laborious worker, was not a successful artist, and his paintings seldom brought him a price that would repay his outlay on them; in fact I have heard lately from an artist that his death was hastened by want of the common necessaries of life. His talent was not recognised by many besides his brother artists. Perhaps like Constable, who is an example of the ill-deserved neglect that genius and originality suffer often during a life-time, the English public will recognize Mr. Frank Potter's merit when it is too late for him to benefit by popularity, and then they will give hundreds for works that might have been had for tens. There are thirty-three of his pictures exhibited, all figure subjects, which show a great deal of care and thought, and have all the rich deep colour which was his characteristic, and which he his supposed to have acquired from his study of the old masters abroad and at the National Gallery at home. "The Palm Fan" is a portrait of a young girl; "Her first Commission," a very quaint old fashioned little girl with another fan behind her head which makes quite the effects a halo that is given to a medieval saint. "Laziness" is a girl in a rocking chair in front of a piano, which she ought to be practising on, but she apparently is not in the mood to do so. "An irrepressible Turk" is the head of a sunburnt child in a fez, a charming little thing. Most of the pictures have a quaint stiffness of manner, which may account for their not becoming popular favourites, but they are all of a higher order of merit than many of the bits that it is the fashion at present to go into ecstasies and rave about.

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One of our latest and wisest raptures is about the life of Charles Darwin which has just been published. There is a delightful simplicity in Darwin's account of himself and in his analysis of his own character, tastes, and talents, which is a rare thing to find with so much genius. As far as I have gone in the book, I find it as interesting as a novel, and quite as difficult to lay aside. Another book, newly come out, but of which it is almost profane to mention in the same breath with the "Life of Darwin," is a ridiculously amusing collection of old Irish stories called "Through Green Glasses" by F. M. Allen. The tales are told with great humour and a strong brogue, and those who love a good laugh should indulge themselves in a copy of the book as a Christmas box.

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But this will not be a Merry Christmas in all parts of the planet. A letter from an English lady passing through Limerick on Sunday writes to me that there was dreadful work there between the police and the people. A meeting had been suppressed during the day by a large force of military and police. When the military retired to the barracks the police suddenly charged the people lingering in the streets, and bludgeoned them furiously. The citizens rushed into the houses for shelter, and the police, it is said, threw stones and even bottles at the people in the windows. They rushed into a place of business, named MacBirney's, a local Whiteleys, breaking into the shop and the warehouse, and stormed the shop girls' dormitory, where they hustled the girls and broke the furniture. One unfortunate little cashier was beaten unmercifully, and others underwent the *peine forte et dure* of being batoned on the head. When this became known the populace became quite ungovernable; they in turn smashed the windows of the police stations and beat many, severely injuring, it is said, two hundred of them. The police charged with the bayonet, and seriously wounded a number of people. There is a general feeling that there will be bad work if police bludgeoning goes on during the winter. The farmers about Kilrush sent hundreds of loads of turf, and cart-loads of provisions of all kinds to the families recently evicted on the Vandeleur estates. The Clare farmers threatened to boycott the Kilkee Fair because the Kilkee people showed no "sympathy" with the evicted, but this threat was not carried out.

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The "plank-bed," of which we now read so much in connection with political affairs in Ireland, has been shown to numerous audiences in London, and I was taken to an exhibition of that instrument of torture by a lady who is interesting herself in organizing the Liberal *revanche*. A real plank-bed, obtained from a real prison, by what means I have not heard, but through the ingenuity of an Anglo-Indian, Mr. Seymour Keay, who is the accepted candidate of the Liberal electors of Fulham, at present represented in Parliament by Mr. A. J. Balfour's Private Secretary, is being used as an object lesson to explain what the punishment of members of Parliament and newspaper editors by Mr. Balfour really is. The bed consists of a deal plank eighteen inches wide, on a trestle raising it eighteen inches from the floor. Nailed to the top is a pillow—a sharp-edged plank, about seven inches from the bed, on which the patient has to lie, so that his shoulder may keep his ear upon it, and if he remains quite steady won't cut his neck on the edge of the board. It is impossible to lie on the back with such a plank under the head, for the scalp would be cut through; and any movement during sleep must cause pain from contact with the edge of the board. It is at first difficult to make people believe that this is anything but the bed-stead on which the prisoner's bed is placed; but there is no other bed and no other pillow. For covering the prisoner is allowed two workhouse "blankets," which are more like coir-matting than blankets, being very hard, and woven so loosely that they are practically useless to keep the prisoner from winter cold. The "plank-bed" and the deficient night covering make a combination as punitive as the "little cease" of our more uncompromising and less ingenious ancestors. The exhibition of this plank-bed has made, I hear, a sensation amongst London Liberals. Eighteen applications for the loan of it for exhibition at public meetings was received in a week by the secretary of the Fulham Liberal Association.

To return to our Merry Christmas. The shops are already dressed for the holiday time, and everywhere one sees the most captivating things that would tempt a saint into a breach of the commandment "Thou shall not covet thy neighbours goods." As for toys, it would distract any child to see the dolls and their trousseaung the soldiers and cannons and camp equipments, and the most extensive preparations for converting the dinner-table into a mimic battle-ground.

Howell and James, Regent Street, have their windows specially fascinating in arrangement. Some tea gowns very simply made in plush with soft gathered fronts of silk shot in two colours, attracted my attention; one was golden brown plush with a combination of blue and gold brown in the underskirt and vest; another was moss-green plush, a very quiet deep shade, and it had two shades, gold and green, intermingled.

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There are such pretty little fancy cushions of a melon-shape made in two shades or colours of soft silk, and with a cord to suspend them on a chair, also at Howell and James. They are made in about eight pieces, and are gathered together at the seams, which gives them the puffy divisions of the real fruit. I think they could be easily made, and that they would take admirably at a bazaar.

ON A BRONZE STATUE OF MINERVA, BY AN UNKNOWN SCULPTOR.

What Sculptor, eager for the world's applause,
Carved thee, with loving hand that never tired,
Statue of her whom Vulcan so admired?
Who wrecked thy marble symmetry? I pause
Before effect so fell, to ask the cause.
Did proud Minerva see, with anger fired,
How puny human brain with hand conspired
To measure heavenly charms by earthly flaws?
Did she at night to slumberous earth descend
From heights empyreal and refulgent state,
And slay the sleeping Sculptor in her hate?
Did she his life with angry lightenings end
That grown presumptuous, he should thus offend?
Then on his work did she her fury sate?

J. Y.

CHRISTMAS DISPLAYS.

The Christmas display in the principal establishments in the Fort is very attractive just at present. Anybody who wants to make a present to his friends, or buy sweets and dolls for his children, can pay a visit to one of these shops, where he will find an extensive collection of novelties and fancy articles to select from. In noticing the comprehensive catalogue issued lately by Messrs. Treacher and Company, we took occasion to take a survey of the extent and variety of the articles they deal in; and they have made a large importation of novelties and sweets and dolls suitable for the season. The shop is kept open daily till 7 o'clock in the evening and is lighted up with electricity, when the wares are to be seen to the best advantage. The manager is busy fitting up a beautiful Christmas tree on the first floor, which will be ready for the inspection of the public this evening.

Messrs. Phillips and Company have also been doing very large business in greeting cards and fancy articles just at present. They have one of the largest collections in Bombay of rare novelties, which have been specially selected for the firm by Mr. Phillips in Europe. Their supply of photo frames, for instance, shows every variety of shape and design. Then there are exquisite flower vases and work baskets, cheroot cutters in the shape of Cleopatra's needle, bicycles, &c., scent-globes with a mechanical contrivance to emit scent, and nice handbags of every design. There are some very good toys, excellent Christmas cards, and albums to suit all prices. The manager has introduced the system of what is called "Christmas Hampers." The value of each of these cases is given on printed handbills, with the details of their contents, and the buyer has only to point to the number of the case that he wants, for making presents to friends and thus avoid the trouble of selection. The company's New Year's Calendar in one of best that has been yet issued. Illustrations symbolical of each month of the year are given there, the whole being very prettily executed.

Messrs. Kemp and Company make no particular display during this season in their Fort establishment. But their branch at Cumballa is beautifully illuminated every evening. Here they had a very large supply of toys and articles suitable for presents, and the demand for them has of late been so great that the supply has already greatly diminished.

In the native town may be seen bakers and confectioners exercising their ingenuity to decorate their shops and make an effective display of Christmas cakes, in which they appear to be doing very large business.

The Government of Madagascar lately passed a law declaring that any Malagasy woman who lived in concubinage with a foreigner should forfeit all property held by rights peculiar to the native of the country. This law having come into operation last month many foreigners have appeared before the Hova Minister for Foreign Affairs, and expressed their willingness to conform to the new law by marrying the native women with whom they lived. British subjects who took this line were referred to Mr. Pickersgill, her Majesty's Vice-Consul at Antananarivo. According to the *Madagascar Times*, Mr. Pickersgill said to them:—"I cannot marry the woman to you without at the same time marrying you to the woman; and if you are married here, you cannot unloose the bonds again." The great majority of the applicants shrank from the responsibility of placing themselves under the marriage laws of England. In order to secure the enjoyment of the lands or other property which their native concubines possessed they were willing to recognise them as wives under Malagasy law and to allow them to be registered as such in the Government books, but they would not, if they could help it, bring the contract within the jurisdiction of the British courts. The British Consular authorities in Madagascar have made it known that they do not intend to be parties to the evasion of the Malagasy marriage laws in order to enable British subjects to control the lands or the slaves of native women.

HOW TWO SUBALTERNS NEARLY LOST THEIR CHRISTMAS DINNER.

Why Mrs. Bangles, the wife of Brigadier-General Bangles, commanding at Dustypore, should have asked Mr. Green of the Irregulars to tea rather puzzled that young gentleman. He was on detachment duty at Dustypore with a squadron of his regiment, and he had a junior brother Sub, named Johnson, to assist him in his various duties. They had both called on Mrs. Bangles, but no invitation to dinner had as yet rewarded this delicate attention on their part, and now Green found himself asked to five o'clock tea one afternoon about a week before Christmas, while Johnson was left to have his tea in his own bungalow.

However, Green went, as in duty bound, and was welcomed by Mrs. Bangles with her most engaging smile. The General was also very friendly, and there was nobody else there, except Mrs. Bangles' pet dog, a fat unwieldy animal with a very thick, shaggy coat.

"I believe you're very clever about dogs, Mr. Green," said the lady as they were seated at the table; "and I shall be so glad if you will tell me what to do about dear Fido. She is causing me great anxiety, and appears to have quite lost her appetite."

"Ah, ha!" thought Green, "that's why I'm asked to tea, is it? She's heard I've gone in for dog diseases." "You know," continued the lady after affectionately regarding the unwieldy Fido, who lay fat and peevish by Green's chair; "you know, Mr. Green, there is so much hydrophobia about, that one is naturally anxious about one's dog; but you have no tea." And she poured the young man out a fresh cup, which had the merits of not being hot, the teapot having just been replenished with boiling water, and Mrs. Bangles, like so many mothers in Israel, being very economical with her milk, had only added some three or four drops of that precious fluid to it.

"I believe hydrophobia shows itself in many strange ways," continued Mrs. Bangles, for whom the subject appeared to have a strong fascination; "and that dogs are taken with it when you least expect. You don't think there can be anything of the sort the matter with Fido, Mr. Green?" She doesn't look as if she would go mad," replied Green, looking at the inert mass covered with thick, coarse hair lying at his feet.

Just at this juncture Mrs. Bangles was called away for a moment by the butler, and Green, with a view to trying whether anything could rouse the sleepy Fido from her lethargy, poured a little of his scalding tea on her back, with apparently no effect whatever.

"Mrs. Popham's dog, Nero," said Mrs. Bangles, returning at that moment, and taking up the conversation where she had dropped it, "went mad in the most extraordinary way.—I was lying apparently asleep"—

Mrs. Bangles stopped short, and well she might. For the scalding tea, which at the moment had failed to penetrate the thick wool of Fido, having at length reached her skin, caused her such sudden and extreme anguish, that she jumped up with a loud yell, tore wildly up and down the verandah once or twice, and then darting into the middle of the compound, wheeled round and round in an ever narrowing circle, making furious snaps at her own tail, as if she would bite it off—the fact of course being that the unfortunate animal was trying to get at the intolerable burning spot in her back.

"A-a-a-h-h!" screamed Mrs. Bangles, after gazing for a moment in speechless horror at Fido's manœuvres; "she's gone mad, I thought she would, and I know she'll bite me; they always bite their own mistresses," and so saying she beat a hasty retreat to an inner appartment, the door of which she barricaded with chairs.

As for Green, he felt very guilty, but did not know exactly what to do, and finding in the general uproar and excitement at the sudden madness of Fido that nobody paid any attention to his movements, he took his hat and went home.

"No, General," said Mrs. Bagles in her most decided way a couple of days after the above occurrence; "no, General, I will not hear of it. Mr. Green shall not be invited to our Christmas dinner. Although he was here when my darling Fido was seized in that dreadful, that inexplicable way, yet he has never once been near the house to ask after the poor animal, though common decency might have told him what to do."

"Well, well, my dear," urged the Brigadier good naturedly; "you see he and Mr. Johnson are here on detachment duty, and have no mess of their own, and so I really think we ought to ask them at Christmas time, but of course we can't have one without the other."

"Then we will have neither," said Mrs. Bangles shortly.

The General was silent. He commanded the Brigade. Mrs. Bangles commanded him. What could he do? He sighed and said.

"Well, my dear, I suppose you know best. You will give us a really [illegible] Christmas dinner."

"Everybody in Dustypore says that the Judge's wife gave the best dinner last Christmas that anybody in Dustypore remembers," returned his better-half; "and I am not going to be outdone by a civilian's wife. Wait and see, General Bangles." And so saying, she left the room to give her *bobarchi* the bad quarter of an hour which was the sorely tried man's daily portion.

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It was Christmas Eve, and Green and his brother Sub., Johnson, were sitting outside their bungalow in a rather depressed frame of mind. Nearly all the station was going to dine at the General's on the morrow, and they had receive no invitation. Nobody else had asked them, possibly thinking that they would be sure to be going with the General, and so it seemed certain that they would have a *tete-a-tete* Christmas dinner,—which was not a very exhilarating idea. But are was more than this. There was even a chance that they might run a little short of suitable wear for a Christmas dinner, and this uncomfy imparted a gloom to Green's countenance as he said:—"By the way," Johnson, "how much pay did you get last month?"

"Four rupees, twelve annas and ten pies," returned Mr. Johnson with the air of one who has learnt his lesson by heart, "which doesn't leave much over, when you've paid house, servants, a couple of ponies, and a few impudent tradesmen. What was your little balance?"

"Balance against," replied Green to the tune of fifty rupees, and a wigging from Colonel for not living within my means. It delightful to see for one's self the little tricks about living within one's means, but it isn't easy when one only has a Subaltern's pay. And we are not asked to dinner to-morrow at the General's, I don't think we shall have much on feed home. My butler says he hasn't got any money, and no one will trust him in the bazaar and when I went to the Parsee's shop to order some tins for our Christmas feed, he told me that his boss was a strictly ready money one, and that gave no credit whatever. Did you ever hear such cheek?"

"The service is going to the devil," remarked Johnson gloomily. He was out eighteen months in the service, and was some feet twin height, but remarkably imposing for his size. Last year my big brother in the gunnery sent me a cheque for a hundred and fifty rupees, but this year has apparently forgotten all about, or else somebody's been telling him about racing, hobby—he hates racing, and thinks one that rides a horse is a lost man."

"Hallo," said Green suddenly, "here's the tele ram, what's up now? By Jove! his pleasant, listen to this: Tom Davis and self will be with you to-morrow to dinner. No sir! Its from Harrison of the Rangers. He and I are out on a shooting trip. Deuce! pleasants. I don't know [illegible] we're to get dinner for ours, let alone for two other fellows. What on earth to be done?"

"If my big brother had only one his dy," said Mr. Johnson, more in sorrow than in anger, "we should have been as right as trivet."

"Big brothers are not to be relied," said Green, in a tone as if he had known what it was to have relations who had not come up to his expectations.

While they were thus chatting, and grown dark, and they could just make out a bullock cart had stopped at their compound and that a peon and a couple of coolies were busy with some difficulty a large, heavy some up the path, which when deposited in the ah, turned out to be a gigantic hamper. Some by rail, the peon said, and had been at the Station Master for the Saheb. The mistake about it, and leaving it in the and his coolies took themselves off with eager curiosity, the two Subs hastily with which it was bound, and the first things to reveal itself ready cooked, an English plum dozen-and-a-half of mince pies, sausages, some *pate de foie gras* dozen of champagne, a bottle figs, raisins, a lot of crackers things too numerous to mention complete Christmas hamper ever

"Of course, of course," said dancing about and clapping his big brother that's sent it. He any coin because he thinks I've of late, so he has shown his this way. By Jove, it's just story you read in a book. And have to-morrow."

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And it was indeed a grand there was no turkey, but there that ever was tasted, and there sages done to a turn, and served on mashed potatoes, and the which had come out from ho King of Christmas puddings—E rest nowhere. Harrison of the Davis duly turned up from the he jungles, and brought a ju them. The champagne was Gl

pounced by these young *connoisseurs* to be faultless. The hero of the feast was naturally Johnson's big brother, and he was frequently toasted by everyone. His action in withholding ready money from Johnson and sending him such a noble hamper instead was held to be sound and judicious, Johnson alone being doubtful on this point. The only criticism on the feast was that Johnson's big brother need not have provided so many crackers. They were all very well for ladies, but were rather out of place among bachelors. However, this was a trifle, and they would not blame Johnson's big brother, whom they felt to regard with more and more affection as the Glenlet disappeared.

"He was always the best fellow in the world," said Johnson, as he proposed his brother's health later in the evening; "and I think I'll pay his debts once more—no, I mean to say, I'll ask him to pay mine. Something you know," which shews that little Mr. Johnson had got just a trifle mixed.

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"The dinner was a total failure," said Mrs. Bangles the morning after Christmas day; "and after all the things I had ordered too. There was no ham, no mince pies, and the Giesler's champayne never came. Whatever has become of that hamper, General Bangles, I ask you what has become of that hamper?"

"How the devil do I know?" he answered curtly, having a slight but seasonable headache.

"Don't curse and swear, General," said Mrs. Bangles, who was ready to cry with vexation; "it's infamous, positively infamous. I shall be the laughing stock of everybody. There was everything in that hamper to have made mine the best Christmas dinner ever given in Dustypore, and now all those good things have been wasted.

Whether they were wasted or not, the reader can judge for himself. Space fails me to recount the subsequent history of the hamper, which is still the topic of conversation in Dustypore. It was taken to Green's bungalow apparently for the excellent reason that the said bungalow was nearest to the railway station, and therefore the easiest to deposit it at—an all-powerful consideration with the peon in charge. The card with the address had been torn off in transit, so that Johnson's theory that the hamper must have been sent him by his big brother was not altogether untenable. But I fear that nothing will ever convince Mrs. Bangles that her hamper was not deliberately waylaid and impounded by hungry and unprincipled Subalterns.

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DOROTHY AT THE NOVELTY.

Alfred Cellier's comic opera, "Dorothy," which has been in the throes of preparation for some time, will be produced by Mrs. Norrville's Opera Company for the first time in Bombay this evening. Cellier takes rank with Sullivan and Planquette among the best composers of comic music. He never degenerates into the music hall style of composition, and some of his lyrics are worthy of places in the programmes of high class concerts. Indeed, sometime Mr. R. C. Dixon paid a compliment to the composer by singing the sweetly pretty song "Queen of My Heart" from Dorothy. When the music is so good, the words play a comparatively subsidiary and secondary part. Mr. B. C. Stephenson has, however, furnished Mr. Cellier with a libretto upon which he has built a remarkably handsome structure of songs and choruses.

THE SIND RAILWAY PROJECT.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

Sir,—I regret that an impression should have got abroad that I have directly contradicted the Powers that be as to the nature of the country through which the Hyderabad Pachbadra Railway will pass beyond Umarkot. There is really no contradiction in the matter. The P. W. D. letter from the Government of India to the Government of Bombay, merely stated, most cautiously, that "information regarding the western part of the State of Jodhpur indicates sandhills rising in places to 300 and 400 feet, and water sometimes 300 feet below the surface, usually brackish and in some places noxious." All I have ventured to assert is that this description does not apply to the route east of Umarkot or to the eastern part of Jodhpur, through which the proposed railway will have to pass. That there are sandhills in Western Jodhpur and Eastern Thar and Parkar is a well-known fact, but it is not equally well known that, after the first fifteen miles or so out from Umarkot, the road to Gadra on to Balmir runs through an open, slightly undulating, valley, or succession of valleys, and that the country between Balmir and Pachbadra is, except for about fourteen miles, *flat*. Nor is it correct to describe the route as consisting of "great uncultivated tracts of wilderness." Hamlets, villages, and herds of cattle of all kinds are numerous, and the valleys are fertile and fairly well [illegible]—Yours, &c.,

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THE CASE OF ALLEGED HOMICIDE IN KATTYWAR.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

Sir,—With reference to the paragraph which appeared in to-day's *Bombay Gazette* relating to the case of Kuvar Lakhubha Asaji, of Rajpara, allow me to correct a serious error which has crept into it. The appeal in question was drafted entirely by Mr. Shantaram Narayen with the assistance solely of my clerk, Mr. Madhavrao (who, having been with me at the sessions, knew all the facts of the case), and without any communication with Mr. Munchershah Bhownagri. It was settled by me at Poona again without any communication with Mr. Bhownagri. Mr. Madhavrao, who is sitting by me at this moment, got it printed in Bombay, and it was then presented at Rajkhot. Up to this point Mr. Bhownagri had absolutely nothing whatever to do with its composition or presentation. According to a rule in force in Kattywar it was signed both by Mr. Shantaram and by myself. As Government do not hear counsel in criminal or other appeals coming from Kattywar, its equally certain that Mr. Bhownagri could have had nothing to do with the appeal in question since it is presentation. It is thus clear that your informant misled you in connecting Mr. Bhownagri's name with it.—Yours, &c., S. N. PANDIT.

Cumballa Hill, Dec. 22.

THE WHEAT CROP IN THE BOMBAY PRESIDENCY.

The following is Mr. E. C. Ozanne's first forecast of the wheat crop in the Bombay Presidency:—

Information generally up to the 5th December Season rather late. In places sowing still continuing. Hence area details incomplete.

Deccan.—Area 11½ lakhs, 6 per cent. above average and 9 per cent. above last year. Increase general. November rain timely for extension of wheat area. Condition general and prospects excellent.

Gujarat.—Area 3 lakhs, 24 per cent. below average and 27 per cent. below last year. Except in Surat decrease everywhere due to insufficiency of September and absence of October rain. Condition on the whole good. These remarks apply to Native States.

Karnatak.—Area 5 lakhs, about equal to that of the last year. Condition fair; crop in places attacked by rust. Native States show a slight increase.

Sind.—Area 2 lakhs. Decrease due to scanty rainfall for dry crop and low inundation of Indus for irrigated wheats.

Certain impudent swindlers have circulated lotteries in India from countries without the jurisdiction of the British Courts of law. Mr. T. Bannerjee's fate in the French settlement of Chandernagore should, however, be a warning [illegible] with foreign lotteries dishonestly. Rather more than a year ago, Mr. T. Bannerjee was successful in conducting a lottery for Rs. 10,000. The lottery, according to Mr. Bannerjee's prospectus, contained "no blanks," as everyone who bought a chance in his lottery would receive a copy of the *Beaver*, the most scurrilous publication, which has yet been produced by Bengal. This year the highly educated promoter conducted another lottery for Rs. 1,00,000, and announced the first prize at Rs. 1,500. Though pronounced illegal by the French authorities, the lottery took place, and the winner—a Chittagong man—claimed the amount, but was paid only Rs. 16. The winner went over to Chandernagore and filed a suit in the Justice de Paix. The Court found Mr. Bannerjee guilty of fraud, and sentenced him to six months' correction by the Correctional; but he has been allowed ten days to appeal against the sentence, and been released on bail.

A young Englishman, who was one of a party of four lately captured by brigands near Smyrna, wrote a chatty account of his experiences to a London magazine, and finished his article with these words: "Thus ended what I hope may prove my last adventure with brigands." This "hope" has been sadly realised. The Editor of *Murray's Magazine* in a note to the article announces with regret the receipt of a telegram from Constantinople informing him of the author's death from the effects of exposure during his captivity. The Editor rightly says that Mr. O. Whitsall, who has thus succumbed to brigandage, wrote so lightly of his sufferings as to give only a faint idea of the hardships he must have undergone; yet imagination, inflamed as it is by the news of the young man's death, may easily fill in some details in the sufferings a modest outline. A long night march without food, enforced hiding during the day in a ravine with unpleasant reminders from whizzing bullets of police on the track of the brigands might shoot captives in the attempt to rescue them, seclusion in a cave for "two weary days and nights," a prolongation of suspense for a whole week when a ransom was negotiated—in these depressing circumstances it is not difficult to imagine the sufferings which rapidly undermined the traveller's health, and has afforded one more sad argument for taking stricter measures for the extirpation of this scourge of brigandage.

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had dined at Mrs. de Quiros' house on several occasions after January, and being still in want of money, he proposed that she should borrow 2600*l.* on the things in her house. Mrs. de Quiros very nearly murdered him on two occasions, and he did not admit that he continued on the same terms with her after the letter of Mr. Lewis as before, although he still visited her. He again wrote to her as "My darling," and subscribed himself as "Your own darling old boy, Willie." In the letter of the 20th January he said to her that all other friends had failed him, and he then borrowed 2600*l.* from her. He gave his acceptance to her for the amount. He subsequently learned that the 2600*l.* was not raised upon a bill of sale, but had been obtained by Mrs. de Quiros from another source. He did not ascertain this until a written statement was made by the person who had given the money to Mrs. de Quiros; he could not fix any date. It was from one of Mrs. de Quiros' servants that he learnt how she had obtained the 2600*l.* He denied that before he received 3700*l.* in hand cash in all from Mrs. de Quiros that he had promised to pay all outstanding bills. In a letter to her on Feb. 21 there was the expression, "I am getting all my things straight." He had settled his affairs by paying the 2600*l.* away in respect of Mr. Bryce Wright's bill. His affairs were in process of being made straight, and he fully believed that he had got rid of pressure; the only pressing creditor was Mr. Samuel Lewis.

Examination continued.—In March he wrote to Mrs. de Quiros, in which he stated he was trying to get some money for her; he expected to get it by the sale of an old collection of ornaments and valuable curiosities. A German museum had made an offer for the collection at the date of the letter to Mrs. de Quiros, and had not withdrawn it. The last letter to Mrs. de Quiros was written on the 9th of March, and he discontinued his visits to her after that date.

PURSUED BY MRS. DE QUIROS.

Mr. Woolf.—Did you give her reasons for discontinuing your visits?

Bankrupt.—No, she gave me reasons. On the 11th of March Messrs. Wontner and Sons wrote to him a letter of remonstrance, and calling upon him to make reparation to Mrs. de Quiros, to put an end to the farce he was playing, and to declare his real intentions. He wrote, in reply, denying the statement of Mrs. de Quiros, and now said that he was continually receiving from her violent and virulent letters and telegrams. Further correspondence followed, and on the 19th of March he wrote again to Messrs. Wontner and Sons, complaining of the threats and annoyance to which he had been subjected by Mrs. de Quiros. He alleged that there was another person associated with her in following him and his wife about in Wales and annoying them. The acceptance for 2,600*l.* which he gave Mrs. de Quiros was dishonoured, and on the 26th March he was served with a writ at her suit. He set up a claim to the whole of the things at Mrs. de Quiros's house; but the Master would not allow him to defend except upon paying the whole of the 2,600*l.* into Court, and his ruling was confirmed by the Judge. She also instituted proceedings for the recovery of the 1,100*l.*, which subsequently became due, and the Master allowed judgment to be signed against him. Ultimately, a receiving order was made against him upon the petition of Mr. Samuel Lewis; he was also aware that Mrs. de Quiros had presented a petition against him. With reference to the 1,000*l.* of banknotes received by him from Mrs. de Quiros on the 6th January, he handed them to his solicitor, who put them in his strong box. He believed that he had handed to his solicitor the whole of the money (3700*l.*) which he received from Mrs. de Quiros. The money was applied to paying the holders of Bryce Wright's bills; at least, those were his instructions. The bill-holders were paid to the amount of 4700*l.*, the difference (1000*l.*) being obtained from other sources.

OTHER MONETARY TRANSACTIONS.

The Bankrupt was further examined as to moneys which he had borrowed since the 1st of January, 1887, and said that they had amounted to 795*l.*, irrespective of money which he had received from Mrs. de Quiros. There was 200*l.* advanced by Mrs. Eadie, a distant relative, who lent him the money because she heard that he was in difficulties. He was in such trouble at the time that he could not remember the details. He was sorely pressed, and was doing all he could to stave off his creditors. He was being pressed quite apart from Bryce Wright's bill. He could not say what he did specifically with the 200*l.*, nor did he remember how he disposed of a sum of 100*l.* borrowed from Mrs. Turner.

MR. LAWSON'S CHEQUE FOR £1000.

The Bankrupt gave the particulars of certain payments, and the Registrar expressed his desire to avoid if possible an adjournment. Mr. Woolf referred to an account which started with a deficit on the 14th April, 1886, of 13,366*l.* 15*s.* 4*d.*, but the Bankrupt said he did not know where he got the figures from. He could not say what his assets and liabilities were at that date. There was a sum of 1000*l.* advanced to him by Mr. Lawson, M.P., to whom he applied indirectly for a loan. Mr. Lawson did not give the 1000*l.* without security. He was selling his library, and hoped that he would repay Mr. Lawson out of the proceeds. The sale, however, was a very poor one, the library not producing enough to pay Mr. Samuel Lewis's charges on it and there was nothing left for Mr. Lawson. He had not ascertained how he disposed of the 1000*l.* cheque received from Mr. Lawson. He had no money in hand or at his bankers on the date of the receiving order. The account included an item of 300*l.* for furniture at Lewisham, and that had been sold by the trustee for 150*l.* He had never offered to Mrs. de Quiros bonds which he had received from Mr. Bryce Wright—had never received bonds from him. In August, 1886, Mr. Wright owed him about 150*l.* Further transactions took place between them amounting to thousands, and he received only 600*l.* to 700*l.* He accepted bills for the accommodation of Bryce Wright, and the latter discounted them. He understood that he (Bankrupt) was to have the bulk of the proceeds, and that Bryce Wright should have a percentage. This arrangement was, however, not adhered to, as Mr. B. Wright had the bulk of the proceeds. Bills to the amount of about 4700*l.* were put into circulation between the autumn and the end of 1886.

EIGHTEEN WRITS BY MONEY-LENDERS.

The Bankrupt volunteered an explanatory statement, by which he threw blame upon another for the difficulties into which he was placed, and who, he said, had been the immediate cause of his bankruptcy. At the end of 1886 he was being pressed by a number of persons, and at the beginning of January the sheriff was in possession of his house in Cornwall. It appeared that the sheriff was in possession at the time he applied to Mrs. de Quiros for assistance in January. About eighteen writs were issued against him by the holders of Bryce Wright's bills; they were mostly money lenders. The account was being taken in the Chancery Division, and he made a claim of 2709*l.* 3*s.* 8*d.* upon the estate of Mr. Bryce Wright. In September 1885, an uncle died who formerly made him large gifts; he received 400*l.* or 500*l.* from his uncle, but when he died he was found to be worth little or nothing, although he was supposed to be worth 40,000*l.* or 50,000*l.* He had an income of 2000*l.* a year up to the time of his uncle's death. His election expenses were considerable, the amount of one election being 2600*l.*; he also spent a good deal of money in travelling over the country and making speeches for his Party. He attributed his failure to a great extent to the Bryce Wright transactions, and there were other contributory causes. For the purposes of the first election he borrowed 500*l.* from that was in 1886. He was then fairly off, and his debts had accumulated chiefly since he came to London. He gave dinner parties, and gave way to extravagance. He could not say how much he owed at his uncle's death. He had been pressed for money more or less ever since he had been in the House of Commons. He had even up to the time of his uncle's death, some difficulty in paying his debts as they became due. Mr. Van Tromp, his solicitor, was a creditor for 800*l.*, money lent and costs, and held a security given in March last. Mr. Van Tromp was also liable for him for a sum of 780*l.* He had assisted him in the most noble manner. He had a charge upon the Jade collection, to which reference had previously been made. He naturally gave security for his advances and costs. He thought that after Mr. Van Tromp was paid in full there would be a surplus for the other creditors. He knew in March last that the bankruptcy was inevitable, but he had always taken an optimist view of his affairs. On the 18th of April he was served with a bankruptcy notice by Mr. Samuel Lewis, and another was served upon him the same month by Mrs. de Quiros. He had always hoped against the bankruptcy, as there were sources from which he might still have obtained assistance. The money, however, did not come, and bankruptcy followed. He was buoyed up by his own false hopes.

The examination was then adjourned to the 11th of January next at twelve o'clock, the Bankrupt being ordered to file a cash account for twelve months and a deficiency account.

If proof were required of the insanitary conditions which create and foster cholera among natives in India, it is to be found in a letter from a correspondent, published in a Calcutta paper. He states that the suburban village of Hathibagan, not more than a quarter of a mile from Circular Road, has been smitten with cholera, and that of twenty families, living within a smaller compass than Dalhousie Square, each has to record deaths. The villagers have fled panic-stricken, some even collapsing with disease on the roadside. He goes on to say that the sanitary condition of the village has, out of India, no parallel in the civilised world. There are tanks supplying the inhabitants with drinking water, and at the same time receiving the contents of their latrines; ditches full of the blackest and most putrid of mire soaked with the foulest and most noxious of filth; while the all is laden with impurities and redolent with smells Literally the place is a vast cesspool: air, water, and soil are all alike poisoned. There the enteric, and most patent causes of disease are in full play, and grim and ghastly indeed are the effects. The correspondent concludes by asking how long the inhabitants are to be deprived of a pure water-supply, of drainage, and of measures of cleansing which are among the ordinary necessaries of healthy life; and adds that it is idle to speak of the filthy habits of people when the ordinary means whereby they can be clean are not placed within their reach. "If Municipal Commissioners will not supply these three wants to their constituents," no amount of education or lecturing will ever effect a change; the change must come from those who are in Municipal power—that is, from those who are in authority. At the present time the sanitary condition of the suburbs is an outrage on humanity, a satire on civilisation, and a disgrace to all concerned."

THE EXPLOITS OF A CELEBRATED FENIAN.

The death, in New York, of an Irishman, who was very busy with rebellion in his time, has been recently announced. His name was John J. Breslin, and according to a Transatlantic biographer, he was one of six brothers, all of whom were active members of the Fenian association. The *St. James's Gazette* gives the following account of his exploits:—

THE ESCAPE OF JAMES STEPHENS.

On the morning of the 24th of November, 1865, Dublin was startled by the news that James Stephens, the Head Centre of the Fenian Brotherhood, had escaped from Richmond Bridewell, where he was to await trial for high treason. The prison is a strong one, it was well guarded, and additional precautions had been taken to frustrate any attempt at rescue or escape. Nevertheless, on the morning mentioned the cell which held the Fenian chief was found empty; and the prison authorities failed to make out how he had got away. Many months after the event the truth leaked out. It became known that Stephens had been released by two Fenians employed in the prison, one named Byrne, a night watchman, the other Mr. J. J. Breslin, who, at the time and for many years previously, had acted as hospital warder. Breslin, it appeared, had been entrusted with the key of the door of the cell in which Stephens was confined, and contrived to get a duplicate of it made for his own use. All necessary arrangements having been made, he found his opportunity, unlocked the door of Stephens's cell, released the captive, and, along with Byrne, helped him to climb the boundary-wall of the gaol; from the top of which he dropped into the arms of Colonel Kelly, his chief lieutenant, and a group of his followers. Stephens remained in hiding for many months in Dublin, ultimately making good his escape to France, while Breslin found himself, quite unsuspected. Nine or ten months afterwards he left his employment without notice, and presently turned up in New York; where being under no compulsion to keep the secret of Stephens's escape, he made a clean breast of it, and lived long and flourished on the fame of the exploit.

THE FENIAN RISING IN IRELAND.

Breslin afterwards took part in the Fenian "rising" in Ireland, and again escaped to America; where a little later he gained further distinction as the liberator of other Irish patriots from durance. Ford, of the New York *Irish World*, had conferred upon him the appointment of trustee, with others, of the "Skirmishing Fund;" and in the spring of 1876 Breslin was thereby enabled to obtain command of a sum of money for a secret purpose.

RESCUE OF FENIAN CONVICTS.

This was the rescue of a number of Fenian convicts, who were then in penal servitude in Western Australia. Having enlisted certain members of the Fenian Brotherhood in the enterprise, he started from San Francisco in the steamer Cyphrenes for Fremantle, where the prisoners awaited deliverance. On board the steamer he is said to have made the acquaintance (under an assumed name, of course) of the present Lord Lytton. Arrived at Fremantle, Breslin had no difficulty in communicating with the captives; for they were employed on public works outside the goal, and seem to have been under very little supervision. Having acquainted these gentlemen with his plans, he chartered a whaling vessel, called the Catalpa, which was owned by an Irishman named Anthony, and hired a couple of traps on the pretence that they were wanted for a picnic party. On the day chosen, the 17th of April, 1876, the traps appeared—one driven by Breslin, the other by one of his men named Desmond—close to the place where the convicts were at work; and, seizing an opportunity, six of the Fenian convicts left their work, got into the carriages, and were driven off to the harbour of Rockingham, nineteen miles distant. Here the Catalpa's boat awaited them.

PURSUING THE CATALPA.

After a little while the deserted vehicles on shore attracted attention. In them were found the convicts' clothes and caps, and so the escape was discovered. At once, a boat manned by police-officers, put off in pursuit of the Catalpa's boat, but failed to overtake her. The chase was long and arduous—for the ship lay many miles out—and had to be abandoned. After knocking about in a rough sea for ten hours the fugitives reached the whaler in safety. But they were hardly on board when a man-of-war steamer, named the Georgette, was seen in pursuit. The Georgette rapidly overhauled the Catalpa, which hoisted the United States flag and held on her way. But a shot soon brought her to, the pursuing ship came up, and when within hail the captain demanded the surrender of the convicts. Thereupon the whaler's skipper stoutly declined that he had any one in his vessel except his own crew. At the same time he vapoured about insult to himself and his country's flag in so alarming a manner that in the end the Georgette sheered off. In due course the Catalpa landed her men at San Francisco, where they were welcomed by their friends with the wildest enthusiasm.

This exploit established Breslin's reputation amongst the Irish in America on an unassailable basis, and he was given high command in the lies Nationalist ranks. He was one of the signers of an invitation addressed by Ford's Irish-American "Skirmishers" to Mr. Parnell, to incorporate with them, which led to the breakdown of the negotiations soon after. He was also one of the governing body of the Clan-na-Gael; and it is now said—with what truth does not appear—that he was the person who sent Daly the collection of bombs found in that person's possession, which he called "love-apples."

THE JEWISH HIGHLANDERS OF THE CAUCASUS.

The Jewish Highlanders of the Caucasian mountain regions are, without question, a genuine remnant of some early Hebrew immigration from Palestine. In districts where European influences are not at work these Caucasian Jews retain more of the customs and peculiarities of the ancient Israelites than any body of their co-religionists extant, and in their occupations and mode of life, too, they approach more closely their Semitic progenitors. The writer of an interesting article in the *St. James's Gazette* says:—

HOSPITALITY OF THE JEWS.

These people are very hospitable, inheriting the best traditions of their race in this regard; and the large apartment entered from the outside is always the dining-room, or guest-chamber. It is as invariable in its arrangements as an old fashioned English dining-room. Immediately under the wooden ceiling are shelves, running all around, on which is displayed the family collection of copper pots, pans, and tea utensils. The wall facing the door is decorated with mirrors, shawls, and arms, according to the means of the owner; that on the right is devoted to the guests dishes and bowls; the third, on the left, is formed of a number of wooden trays containing the cushions and coverings which form the household bedding. The fourth wall is taken up by door, windows, and hearth or oven. From the ceiling is suspended a board the length of the chamber, with a number of hooks in it, on which are impaled joints of smoked mutton, dried beef, and often a few fat sheep's tails. On each side of the door and in the corners are huge earthenware jars, over a yard high, in which the family supply of meal, rice, onions, wine, and spirits is stored. Such is invariably a Jewish interior in the Caucasian highlands, and such the domestic arrangement. In summer, when all household work is performed in the open air, and the room is kept scrupulously clean, the konak is pleasant enough. But in winter, when everything, from cooking to washing, is done in the chamber, when the family sit there from early morn till late at night, when the fire never goes out for a moment, it is possible to imagine a more agreeable lounge than the guest-room of a Jewish house in a South Caucasian village. But strangers, by which, of course, we mean strange Jews, can never complain of lack of attention. The moment a *svoch*, as a visitor is called, is known to be in the village, competition breaks out for the privilege of entertaining him. Conducted to the house where he is to lodge, its mistress enters with water, and, after the ancient fashion of the tribes, pours water over his feet and dries them, while the younger people bring in lighter refreshments until dinner or supper be ready. In the evening, the male householders of the all present themselves at the konak and offer the stranger the hand of good-will with the old Bible salutation' "Baroch-habo"—"Blessed be he who comes;" a salutation that dates from the times of the first Temple of Jerusalem.

DOMESTIC LIFE.

In domestic life many of the old practices of the Hebrews are in full force. Polygamy prevails among the wealthy—each individual being allowed not more than three wives. Women are not isolated in a harem; they take their meals with the master of the house, on a perfect equality with him. They do not veil themselves in or out of doors; but when a stranger visits the konak the married women cover their heads, and then, too, the ladies take their food in their own apartments. Unmarried girls are allowed the utmost freedom, and are well formed, robust, and, when unpainted, good-looking. They understand the management of sheep and cattle, do the wood-chopping, and are great adepts at cookery—that is, Caucaso-Jewish cookery, which is peculiar. The national delicacy is chihiksi: flour-balls, first sweetened with sugar, then made sour with vinegar, flavoured with garlic, and served up hot in a gravy of fat sheep's tails. The Caucasian Jews are inordinately fond of green-stuff, consuming it in quantities that amaze a stranger. In partaking of food, as in the mode of service, the old Jewish customs are strictly followed. A wooden platter—or, if a guest be present, a handsome copper dish—is placed upon a carpet on the floor. On this are set two cakes of unleavened bread, covered with a cloth—woollen on ordinary occasions, but of silk on Sabbaths and festivals. Salt, onions, garlic, and fruit are ranged round the bread, and all sit down upon the floor. The master pours water over his two hands, recites a blessing, then uncovers the bread, breaks the upper loaf into as many pieces as there are males present, and gives each one piece. The pieces are dipped into salt three times and eaten. The second loaf is then served in like fashion, and distributed among the females. The mistress of the house brings in the first dish herself; then, if a stranger be present, veils and withdraws. Everything is put on table, or rather on the floor, at once; and it is customary to take a little of each dish served. When roast meats are eaten, a sharpened piece of wood is employed as an aid to the fingers, but ordinarily fingers alone are *de rigueur*. The highland Jews prepare an excellent "mountain dew," and drink large quantities of the spirit without seeming to experience any intoxicating effects.

BURIAL CEREMONIES.

When a Jew is taken ill, it is the duty of every male in the place to visit the sufferer and spend a certain amount of time with him, so that he is never left alone. Should the patient die the body is forthwith placed on the bare ground and covered with a black cloth. Candles are lighted around the corpse, the women of the village gather in the court-yard to sew the *tachrichim* or garments of the dead, while a dozen or twenty female mourners, hired for the purpose, form a circle round the deceased and begin the customary lamentation. "Why have you left us, and what have we done to you?" cries the leader of the wailing party, beating her breast and tearing at her hair, while the others break in with "Hoya alla, hoya alla!" For the tachrichim

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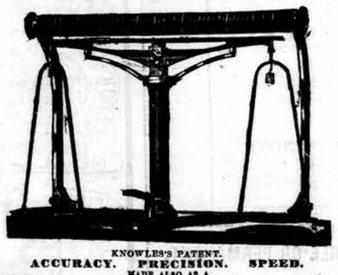

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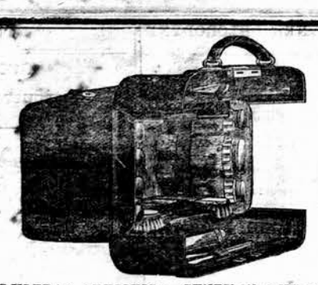

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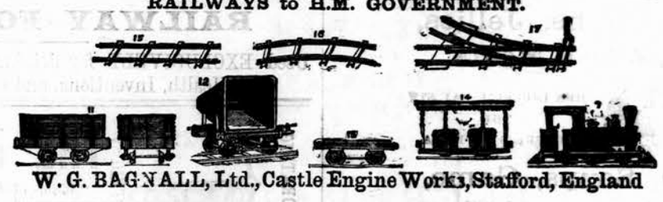

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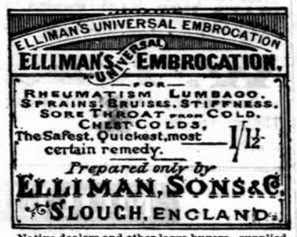

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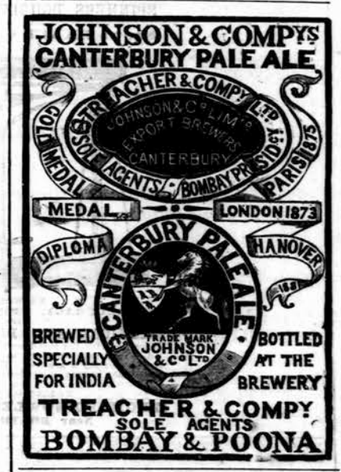

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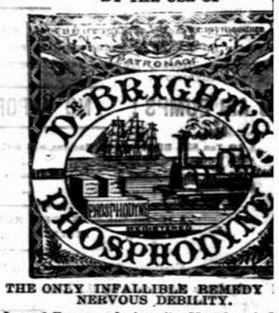

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